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State board proposes licensing lift mechanics

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The Maine Elevator and Tramway Safety Board is proposing that Maine become the first state in the country to license ski-lift mechanics.

The proposal follows the state safety board's investigation of the Dec. 28 failure of Sugarloaf's Spillway East lift, which sent five loaded chairs falling 30 feet to the snow, and eight skiers to area hospitals.

As reported Tuesday by John Richardson on mainetoday.com, the board, meeting Monday, took no formal action against Sugarloaf or the licensed private inspector whose pre-season inspection OK'd the 35-year-old lift for

operation.

However, the six board members present did vote unanimously to call for legislation requiring that lift mechanics be licensed.

And John Burpee, the board's chief inspector, promised closer scrutiny over lifts — as is called for by national standards.

"I'm a little disappointed in what we're finding for quality assurance programs," Burpee said, according to Richardson's article.

A licensing requirement for lift mechanics would need to be approved by Maine Legislature and signed by the gov-

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W'stock Conservation Commission proposes using wind-farm funds to purchase forest land

By ALISON ALOISIO

The Woodstock Conservation Commission opened a dialogue with selectmen Tuesday about using money received by the town from a wind-power project to help buy community forest land, and about the possibility of using assessments on subdivision developers toward land acquisition or improvement.

Any such proposals would have to be voted upon at a town meeting.

Last year Woodstock re-

ceived \$80,000 from Patriot Renewables, the company currently constructing a wind project on Spruce Mountain.

The payment was arranged through discussions between the WCC and the Maine Bureau of Parks and Lands. The arrangement followed the passage of a new law requiring "tangible benefits" be provided to areas that have state-owned parks and trails with viewscapes impacted by de-

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West Bethel water-line bid lower than expected

By ALISON ALOISIO

Thanks to a particularly low bid for extending the Bethel Water District's pipe system to West Bethel, the BWD will save about \$120,000 on the project.

Early this month Cross Excavation of Bethel bid \$308,206 on the construction portion of the project. The BWD had budgeted \$423,000, according to Brent Angevine, chairman of the BWD board.

Cross will run pipes from the district's wells on the North Road under the riverbed and over to the area of the Ferry and Barker roads in West Bethel.

The water currently available to West Bethel's 60 customers is high in manganese and iron, and it develops an orange color when it reacts with chlorine.

Other bids received were at least \$100,000 higher, said Angevine. The other bidders were K & K, Nelson Co., Earth N.E., and D & C Construction. The price, said Angevine, "is good for the district and good for the ratepayers."

The companies submitted bids for two options: running the pipe beneath the riverbed, and running it on top of the riverbed.

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County EMA Director Scott Parker resigns

By TONY REEVES, Sun Media Group

Oxford County commissioners accepted the resignation of former Emergency Management Agency Director Scott Parker, of Bethel, just before noon Tuesday.

Parker's resignation was accepted "with regret," according to a motion that commissioners passed unanimously. Parker hand-delivered the letter Tuesday morning, County Administrator Scott Cole said.

Commissioners voted to accept his resignation, on the recommendation of the county's attorney, Bryan Dench.

In an email Tuesday, Parker said he would hold off on commenting until Aug. 2, his last day after his sick days and vacation days are depleted.

'I will be setting the record straight.'

"I will be setting the record straight," Parker wrote.

In May, Parker was the subject of an investigation by the sheriff's office on whether he broke privacy laws in the use of emergency phone number databases from CityWatch, an

emergency notification system created to inform residents of natural disasters or other emergencies.

SCOTT PARKER

Parker has been on paid administrative leave since May 26. The commission has held several executive sessions and, at Parker's request, one open session on the matter.

According to Cole, Parker printed out complete 911 databases for the towns participat-

ing in the CityWatch program and began to distribute them to municipal employees in those towns. Cole said Parker ignored the protests of his employees in doing so.

Cole maintains that Parker not only violated a license agreement with Verizon but broke state law by copying and disseminating confidential names, addresses and phone numbers from the databases.

Parker and his attorney, Daniel L. Cummings, contend

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'Stippled' bridge rendering by Andover native will be raffled to raise funds for town's Education Fund

By ALISON ALOISIO

The Andover Education Fund is raffling a stippled artwork of the Lovejoy Covered Bridge, to raise funds for its scholarship program. The piece was created by artist Diana Maxine (Wells) Jackson, an Andover native who now lives in Georgia.

The stippling technique utilizes small dots to create images. A work can take many hours to complete.

Sharon Hutchins of the AEF describes her reaction to the piece in a letter to town residents: "The first time I saw the almost-completed work, I was flooded with memories — driving through the bridge and seeing folks looking out a window (the boy in the dark sweatshirt on the left is Jacob Rainey and the one of the right is Dalton Shields); those brave hearts jumping from the windows and swinging from the rope swing into the Ellis River from the tree; a few daring to jump into the water

from the roof; canoeing under it; and picnics on the beach."

The 10x14-inch work, which took more than 36 hours to complete, is valued at \$500. The winner from among the \$1 tickets sold will be drawn on Aug. 6 at Andover Olde Home Days.

Other pieces by Jackson hang in churches, homes and theaters around the world, according to a brochure provided by AEF. Profits from much of her work benefit scholarship programs and the construction of schools in the Himalayan regions of India.

Jackson has no formal training, but developed her skills through personal study.

Of the Andover piece she wrote, "It occurred to me that with the downturn in the economy, the interest earned for the AEF scholarships would be negatively affected. As an Andover

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The First Annual Tubing and Treasure Scavenger Hunt took place Sunday. Eight teams and eight individuals (for a total of 38 participants) splashed into the Androscoggin on tubes at Bethel Outdoor Adventure, and floated to Davis Park, where they then walked back toward BOA, searching for "treasures" hidden along the Pathway. Local winners included the Bernard family of Bethel and Chala and Ben Alford of Bethel. Above, tubers launch at BOA. Inset, Madison Bevin, 11, of Bryant Pond approaches the finish, sneakers ready on deck for the scavenger hunt. (Photo: D. Bennett; inset A. Aloisio)

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ODEON HALL FOR EXCHANGE?

To the Editor:

Why not use Odeon Hall as the new locale for The District Exchange? It seems to be a forgotten space and is extremely under-utilized. It is town-owned, so why not help all those citizens in need: those that have items of some value and/or wearable items they wish to donate and those that need those items at an extremely low cost.

It would be a shame not to have The District Exchange. I believe it offers a valuable service to our town.

Loretta Holt
Bethel

I STAND BY WHAT I WROTE

To the Editor:

First, I would like to thank Mr. Chase (Citizen, July 14) for his service to the country. I, too, do not embrace any political party with blind allegiance, and he has the freedom of speech to say my view of the current administration's leader's inept responsibility is full of vague and unsubstantiated contentions.

Secondly, one only needs to have digested the studies by leading economist and industrial analysts following implementation of his irresponsible expending of taxpayer monies that have only added to the federal deficit, not reduce it, to find the substantiation of his ineptness.

Billions upon billions bailing out Wall Street and the banking industry without barring the CEOs from using chunks of government money for bonuses to staff and themselves, the auto industry to keep their existing work force employed without increasing jobs for the unemployed, cash for clunkers which has not decreased the amount of gasoline being consumed nor lowered the price of a gallon, investing heavily in a foreign oil company while blocking drilling in our own fields, giving money to rebuild other governments — all of which exhibits ineptness and irresponsibility.

Thirdly, I stand by what I write, and as for the inference that I am "teetering on the threshold of ethnic and racial bias," had I ever harbored such thoughts, I would not have married and loved a beautiful Japanese Lady for 51 years nor take great pride in being the father of five American children, one of whom died while serving in the U.S. Army. Nor would I admit that those children have traced their maternal bloodline directly to being descended from Genghis Khan.

John R. Davis, Retired U.S. Navy
South Paris

WHY WERE FLOWERS REMOVED

To the Editor:

Around the middle of June we were at Pat's Pizza. The bridge on Route 2 by Rite Aid was closed to all traffic. We watched a piece of a wind tower and blades traverse the Parkway headed west. They made the turn from Route 2 onto Parkway then onto Route 26 to the railroad tracks onto Railroad Street (Route 2) onward west with the tower part going up the down ramp by the bridge and the blades going under the bridge.

So why did the flowers have to be removed when the bridge is open for the wind tower components to traverse the Parkway?

Ramona Grover
Mason

THANK YOU TO B.F.H.C.

To the Editor:

Our family has been treated at the Bethel Family Health Center for over two and a half decades. Whether it was an emergency or routine care, we have been pleased with the level of medical care that we have received. With the recent death of my wife, I would like to publically thank the staff at BFHC.

Specifically, I would like to mention Jan Whitworth. Jan, I thank you for the love, care and compassion that you have shown my wife over the years. You have gone above the call of duty and always tried to do what was best for my wife. I can never thank you enough for attention that you gave Betty. I pray that God would bless you as you have blessed us.

Paul Andexler
Andover

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community.

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FIRST W.M.N.F. ARTIST IN RESIDENCE CHOSEN

To the Editor:

Chicago painter James Kao has been selected as the first White Mountain National Forest (WMNF) Artist in Residence. During his tenure, Aug. 2-23, he will be staying at Mead Base in Center Sandwich, where he will create new work inspired by the surrounding forest. During his residency Kao will also lead several workshops and share his ideas on the ways in which art can help people relate to forests in general and to the WMNF in particular.

Kao is an abstract painter who has had recent one-person exhibitions at China Projects (San Francisco, Calif.) and Toomey Tourell Fine Art (San Francisco, Calif.). He received his BA in Philosophy from the University of Chicago and an MFA from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, where he now teaches in the Painting and Drawing Department. Learn more at www.jameskao.org.

The Artist-in-Residence (AIR) program is a partnership of the WMNF and the Arts Alliance of Northern New Hampshire, and is being introduced this year in celebration of the Weeks Act Centennial. The Weeks Act, a milestone in American conservation history, enabled the federal government to purchase land in the eastern US, allowing cut and burned-over lands to become publicly owned national forests, thus leading to the creation of the WMNF and more than 40 other national forests.

According to Rebecca Oreskes, Public Services Staff Officer for WMNF, "The AIR program aims to help people understand the connections between public lands, how we use natural resources and our emotional ties to beauty, nature and self-expression. We're delighted to be working with the Arts Alliance and honored to have James Kao as our first artist."

Kao was drawn to the program by the opportunity to live near the mountains and be inspired by them. "Hokusai envisioned thirty-six views of Mount Fuji. Cezanne gazed at Mont Sainte-Victoire with fresh energy over sixty times," he says. "I, too, am looking for an earthly motif that ranges into the heavens. I am dreaming of white mountains cast in numberless shades of summer green."

The residency offers a three-week period in which Kao will have time to work on his art in an environment very different from that of his urban life. He will also offer a weekly public session during which visitors can learn more about — and participate in — the artistic process, and be encouraged to think about the connection between art, the forest and conservation. More information on these programs will be available in upcoming weeks. Kao will also donate one piece of work to the WMNF.

"This is a new venture for the White Mountain National Forest," says Forest Supervisor Tom Wagner. "The Arts Alliance of Northern New Hampshire has been a wonderful partner in celebrating the Weeks Act Centennial and we're excited to create this opportunity for both artists and visitors to the national forest."

We were amazed by the number of AIR applicants we had from around the country, and by the variety and quality of their work. We definitely hope this program can continue.

For more information about the Artist in Residence program, contact the Arts Alliance at (603) 823-7302 or info@annhh.org. Additional information about all of the events celebrating the Weeks Act Centennial, including the one-day Weeks Act Centennial Festival on July 29 at the base of the Mt. Washington Auto Road and the White Mountains Cultural Festival: Eight Days of Weeks (during the four weekends in August), can be found at www.aannh.org or www.weekslegacy.org.

Frumie Selchen

Art Alliance of Northern New Hampshire

TAKE CARE OF YOUR BEES

To the Editor:

Oxford Hill's Bee Club had a meeting on open hive inspection. They had their barbecue cookout just before the meeting. Rick Cooper was the guest speaker. He gave a speech on maintaining and caring for bees. The club had a very interesting afternoon; it was an exciting moment when the queen bee fell off the frame onto the ground and no one could find her right away.

One Bees crisis: Local owners working hard to survive loss of hives from winter months and disease.

The loss of honey bees — Is it disease or is it chemical or is it lack of human care? I would have to say it is all three. Lack of proper care of your bees — you can or will lose them.

You must never ever buy used equipment without it being properly inspected to make sure it is free of disease.

Lack of care — you must medicate your bees in the spring. In the spring time you must use Terra-Pro. Terra-Pro is one that should be used in the spring and fall to fight foulbrood disease and mites. I myself lost three hives of bees because of foulbrood, as I did not know the use of these chemicals to control the disease. They did not make it through the winter, they all died. I had to burn all of my bee equipment and start off new.

There are many mites and diseases: American foulbrood, Tracheal mite, Varroa mites.

There are many, many other problems in raising and caring for honey bees.

To the backyard gardeners — it would help the honey bees to survive if you sprayed your flower and vegetable gardens at sunset. The honey bees go to bed at sunset and the chemicals would do their work overnight and be dry the next day when the bees are active again.

John E. Seilonen
Norway

The First Years: Kristie Comes, Winter 'Celladore'

From the 1954-1964 Journals of Beckie Bailey, Installment 28

B.B. hoisted the big logs to the saw table. My job was simply to steady them as the saw whined and bit through, and to be sure as they fell away in short chunks that they did not drop on anyone's feet. It was fun trying to guess what kind of wood: oak, maple, or beech. Without any leaves or tree shapes to look at, it was a new experience identifying the species just by the wood alone. At first it was a lark, but soon my hands were cold from handling the snow-covered wood. Fortunately I had a ready supply of dry mittens, not leather ski mittens with liners, but the outdoors were cut from heavy woolen scraps from the rag bag; the insides from the good part of worn-out sweaters. They were a bit clumsy but by putting the raw seams on the outside they were manageable for uncomplicated work.

Keeping my feet warm was more difficult. Earlier in the season B.B. had insisted on buying for me a pair of L.L. Bean hunting boots. They have rubber bottoms, leather tops. You choose a size which is large enough to hold a pair of inner pads which can be taken out and dried daily. At the time I thought it was a needless expense and protested mightily, but he was right. They were my most useful and most cherished winter footwear. But standing still by the saw, even in these, my feet got colder and colder. Finally I confessed that I would have to stop helping until I could go inside and warm my feet.

"Take off your boots," said B.B.

"Out here in the cold; are you crazy?"

"Go ahead," I complied. "Now run up and down the roadway a few times."

"In my stocking feet?"

"Yes, it's the best and quickest way to stir up the circulation."

So I ran, but thought that this was utter nonsense. It worked; soon I was back at the saw table. We used these green logs on warmer days along with the dry ones in the cellar.

With prudence we managed to get warmly through the winter. We closed off two of the bedrooms topside; put the doors back on and closed off the living room which had never been settled anyway. I was determined to do nothing there until we did something about the ceiling with the half logs with the bark still on them.

No modern architect could have designed and placed a house any better than this one for the utilization of the sun's heat. All day from the east in the early morning, from the south at midday, from the west in the afternoon, sunshine streamed in and warmed the rooms. Many days we did not need to build a furnace fire until five o'clock. By myself I found another means of warmth. Scattered over the house were different-sized rugs, of a twined yellowy color. Miss Fan had explained their origin. For years the Olsen Rug Company had manufactured woolen rugs inexpensively. The customer sent in to the factory a required number of pounds of old woolens, rugs, garments, blankets. This was washed, graded, combined with new wool and a rug sent back that looked almost like broadloom. I neither liked nor disliked the rugs here, thought little about them until one day I had an idea. I went about with a yardstick measuring and then drew diagrams on paper. When I was quite sure that my figures were correct, I accosted B.B. on a cold morning and told him that I thought by careful piecing here and there that the yellow rugs would completely cover the dining room floor.

He looked a bit dubious. I went on, since the old floor was so worn and cracked that it wouldn't make any difference how many new nail holes were added to it. I showed him my diagram. He seemed more interested, took a blank piece of paper and made another diagram. One glance showed me that it was an efficient use of material, would take little nailing. "But just how will you keep wall-to-wall carpeting clean without a vacuum?" he asked.

I thought of this, had remembered that all the parlors I had seen as a little girl in country houses were carpeted. I had gone to my neighbor, Dot A., to talk about it. She told me that most of the floor coverings had been woven on a loom in strips that could be taken up once a year and cleaned. This wouldn't do for my odd-sized pieces. She had gone on to say that poor housekeepers did not take up their rugs. Instead, they waited for the first snow, sprinkled it over the carpet, swept it off, and it carried away most of the dirt. In the spring you could use cornmeal or wet shredded paper. I had tried this on the porch one day on a small rug. It was fun throwing the pristine snow but very hard work sweeping it off. The mixture that was removed looked like rock salt that had been spilled in a coal bin. The odor of wet, live snow mixed with dirt was medicinal and it was gratifying to throw dustpans full of debris over the porch rail into the snow bank. So I had an answer to B.B.'s question. He was convinced; he covered the floor in an hour. This was one good thing about working with an old floor, old rugs; one did not need to be too careful. It looked very well.

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Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Friends and relatives from across the country gathered in Bethel to help Ersel Murphy celebrate her 98th birthday.

A dedication ceremony was held at the new Hanover boat landing facility.

The Bethel Recreation Board was offering tennis instruction by Gareth Kucinkas at the Gould Academy tennis courts.

Births: Josie Adana Forbes, Joseph H. Sicotte.

Deaths: Ola M. Miele, Clara A. Roberts, Scott L. Sampson.

20 years ago: For the second year in a row gypsy moth caterpillars were chewing their way through several acres in Gilead.

The Lombard Baseball Diamond was under construction at Gould Academy. Baseball was returning to Gould after a 10-year absence, with Charlie Newell as coach.

The swim program, sponsored by the Bethel Recreation Board, was underway, with Red Cross swimming instructor Monica Burk.

Births: Isaac James Burnham, Thomas Dellison Conroy.

Deaths: Gertrude M. Barker, Reta B. Meserve.

30 years ago: The Summer Synchronized Swimming Class at the Bethel Inn held its first performance at the Inn's pool on Mollyockett Day.

The Town Highway crew installed "stop" signs at several street intersections in Bethel Village.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Clark moved into the former Mrs. Roris Hale house in Newry which they had recently purchased.

Births: Lawrence Joseph Ward, Jr., Rebecca Lyn Gorman, Dyan Leonora Dunham-Conway.

Deaths: Mrs. Ethel Clark, Herbert P. (Red) Lyon, Oswald A. T. Gotjen, Edward R. Stanley, Orlando B. George, Jr.

40 years ago: Students from the Hope Training School in Mexico enjoyed a tour of the Earth Station and a picnic at the Andover Picnic Area.

Employees returned to work at Newton and Tebbets, Inc., after a two-week vacation.

Mrs. Sue Wight and Mrs. Helen Morton exhibited some of their paintings at the Sidewalk Art Festival in Lewiston.

Dana Melville of Locke Mills was participating in the Physics/Astronomy section of the Secondary Science Training Program sponsored by the University of Iowa.

Death: Roderick (Mush) McMillin.

50 years ago: The new Post Office located at Park and Deering Street, South Paris, was dedicated.

Births: Dana Reginald Meisner, Kirk Patrick O'Brien, Maureen Lynn Coyne.

Deaths: Eugene F. Penley, William Sweatt.

60 years ago: The lumber and milling business of L. E. Davis was incorporated as L. E. Davis Lumber Company, with capitalization of \$100,000.

Deaths: Norman L. Jamison, Richard P. Greene, Albert E. Brown, Fred B. Haynes, Elmer Flagg.

70 years ago: Over 100 attended the seventh annual Greenwood City School reunion at the school house. Prizes from the alumni and school club were awarded pupils of the fourth, sixth, and seventh grades during the program.

Deaths: Ashby Tibbetts, Robert Hill, Mrs. Anna W. White.

80 years ago: James D. Alger was sworn in as a cadet at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

Deaths: Irving Stearns, George H. Stowell.

90 years ago: Announcement was made of the July 25 opening of the Bethel Grain Co., in charge of L. E. Davis.

Work was well underway on the addition to the Woodstock High School.

100 years ago: Sidney Jodrey suffered a severe sun stroke while working on the railroad.

Hay was reported as scarce in some sections of Bethel.

Death: Ida Durkee.

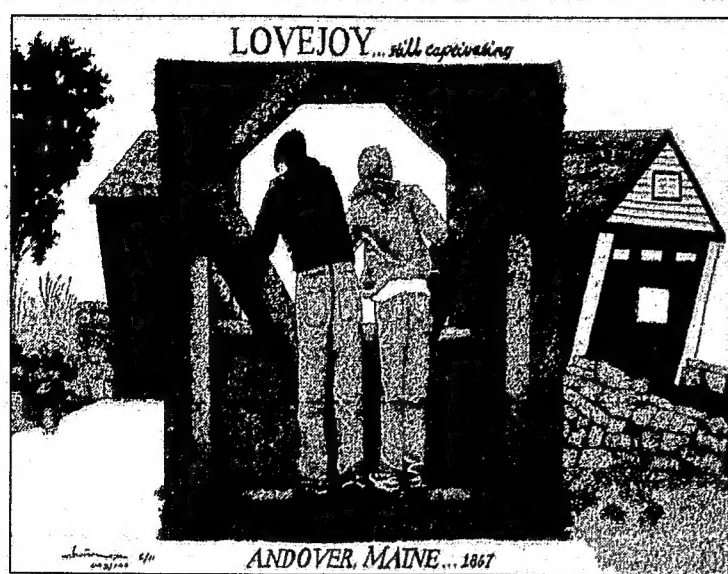
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alumni, it's important to me to see the young people of Andover have the educational opportunities to realize their fullest potential and to move forward in life."

Tickets for the raffle are available at the Andover Gen-

eral Store, Visible Changes, Pete's Hardware, Foxgloves and Daisies, the Little Red Hen or from the Andover Education Fund Inc., PO Box 32, Andover 04216. Tickets will also be available at a booth on the common in Andover Aug. 6.

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ernor.

Any such license would first be proposed to the Legislature's Public Safety Oversight Committee, State Rep. Jarrod Crockett (R-Bethel) said.

For himself, Crockett said, "I have some reservations about it. I think it might be more of a knee-jerk reaction."

Businesses already have serious financial incentives (including the threat of costly lawsuits) for making safety a priority, he argued.

"I want to keep an open mind," Crockett said, "but right now there's already plenty of reason for Sunday River or Sugarloaf to do it right."

Spokespersons for Mt. Abram and Sunday River referred questions to Greg Sweetser, executive director

of the Ski Maine Association. "Safety is the Number One focus for all of us in the Maine ski industry," Sweetser replied.

"When a lift accident involving our guests occurs, there is a renewed sense of focus within our operations to ensure that we continue to maintain our exemplary record of safe lift operations."

"Ski Maine Association and its members will continue to work in partnership with the Maine Tramway Board to ensure that Maine ski areas offer the safest experience possible when riding any of our lifts."

"For more than 70 years, chairlifts have safely transported millions of riders up the slopes of mountains across the state."

Woodstock

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velopment. In Woodstock's case, those state properties are Little Concord State Park and trails up Bald and Speckled mountains.

Marcel Polak, chairman of the WCC, told selectmen that the funds could be used to leverage grant money to purchase community-forest land. Such grants are expected to become available in August, he said.

"The land could be managed for economics, and for wildlife and water protection," he said. It could also provide recreational trails, he said.

"Buck's Ledge would be an example," said Polak, referring to property near North Pond that area conservationists have been trying for years to acquire.

Polak noted that other towns in the region, such as Gorham and Randolph, N.H., have thousands of acres of forest land that they harvest for timber revenue and also use for recreation.

Recently the Woodstock selectmen have also discussed putting some of the funds currently in the account toward fixing the leaking dam on Lake Christopher.

The town has another \$20,000 collected over the past three years from per-lot assessments on major subdivision developers. The ordinance governing such assessments was proposed by the Planning Board in 2008, and was intended to provide funds to help offset impacts resulting from large developments.

The WCC suggested a portion of future funds collected might be designated for land acquisition or improvement.

The WCC also recommends the town establish a dedicated, non-lapsing land account to be used for acquisition and management, Polak said. In addition, the WCC would like to have responsibility for making recommendations regarding such lands. Polak emphasized that all decisions

would be in the hands of the voters.

Selectman Rick Young said the commission could put together wording for proposals on the land issues to bring to a town meeting.

Tom Hartford, chairman of the Planning Board, was skeptical of the possible use of the subdivision funds and of large land acquisitions in general.

He said planners originally recommended the ordinance requiring such payments from developers in order to help the town finance support services for large subdivisions, such as fire stations or beach access in the area of the development.

Hartford objected, however, to the larger-scale acquisition of land. He noted that some landowners are closing their property to snowmobiling as a result of damage, and that similar problems could happen in a community forest used for recreation.

He was also suspicious of the WCC's motives, suggesting the group was "trying to get power."

"We're just asking if you will listen to our opinions," responded WCC Vice Chairman Jane Chandler.

Hartford said he thought using money from the account for the dam was appropriate.

Geff Inman, who also attended the meeting, advocated for protecting Lake Christopher, noting that the large fish caught there will help bring in sportsmen and in turn help the local economy.

In other business Tuesday, selectmen set a mill rate for this year of 12.85, up .25. The rate provides for an overlay of approximately \$29,000.

The hike represents a 2 percent increase, said Maxfield, but the figure is much better than the potential 20 percent increase originally anticipated when school budget discussions first began. Tax bills are expected to go out next week.

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Briefly

740 Miles in a Day, July 30

WAITSFIELD, Vt. (AP)—Organizers of the Northern Forest Canoe Trail are gearing up for their second annual "740 Miles in a Day" event, which is aimed at getting people out on the water — and into trail-side businesses and communities. The water trail extends east from Old Forge, N.Y., through Vermont and New Hampshire and ends in Fort Kent, Maine. The "740 Miles in a Day" event — set for July 30 — refers to the length of the trail and aims to have people cumulatively paddle that far. Last year, more than 1,500 miles were paddled.

This year's clues unravelled

Week One: "We start out on this year's hunt under bullish stars, but chart your course instead by Pisces, Cancer, Scorpio."
The 12 signs of the Zodiac are classified under four elements: earth, air, fire and water. Pisces, Cancer and Scorpio are the water signs.
The medallion is hidden in or near water.

Week Two: "Bright Wednesday, 1775. Listening Westward. His Imperial Highness is not amused, / By antics of his rude and restive rustics. / Of lose majesty they stand accused. / But, by Jove! How loud their muskets!"
Intended to refer treasure hunters to Ralph Waldo Emerson's 1836 poem "Hymn." Once a staple of every American schoolchild's introduction to The Revolutionary War, the poem was written to commemorate placement of a monument on the battlefield in Concord, Mass., to those who fought in The Battle of Lexington and Concord, on April 19 ("Bright Wednesday," in Eastern Rite Churches), 1775. The poem's opening quatrain reads: "By the rude bridge that arched the flood, / Their flag to April's breeze unfurled, / Here once the embattled farmers stood, / And fired the shot heard round the world."
Close to a simple bridge, itself near a military memorial.

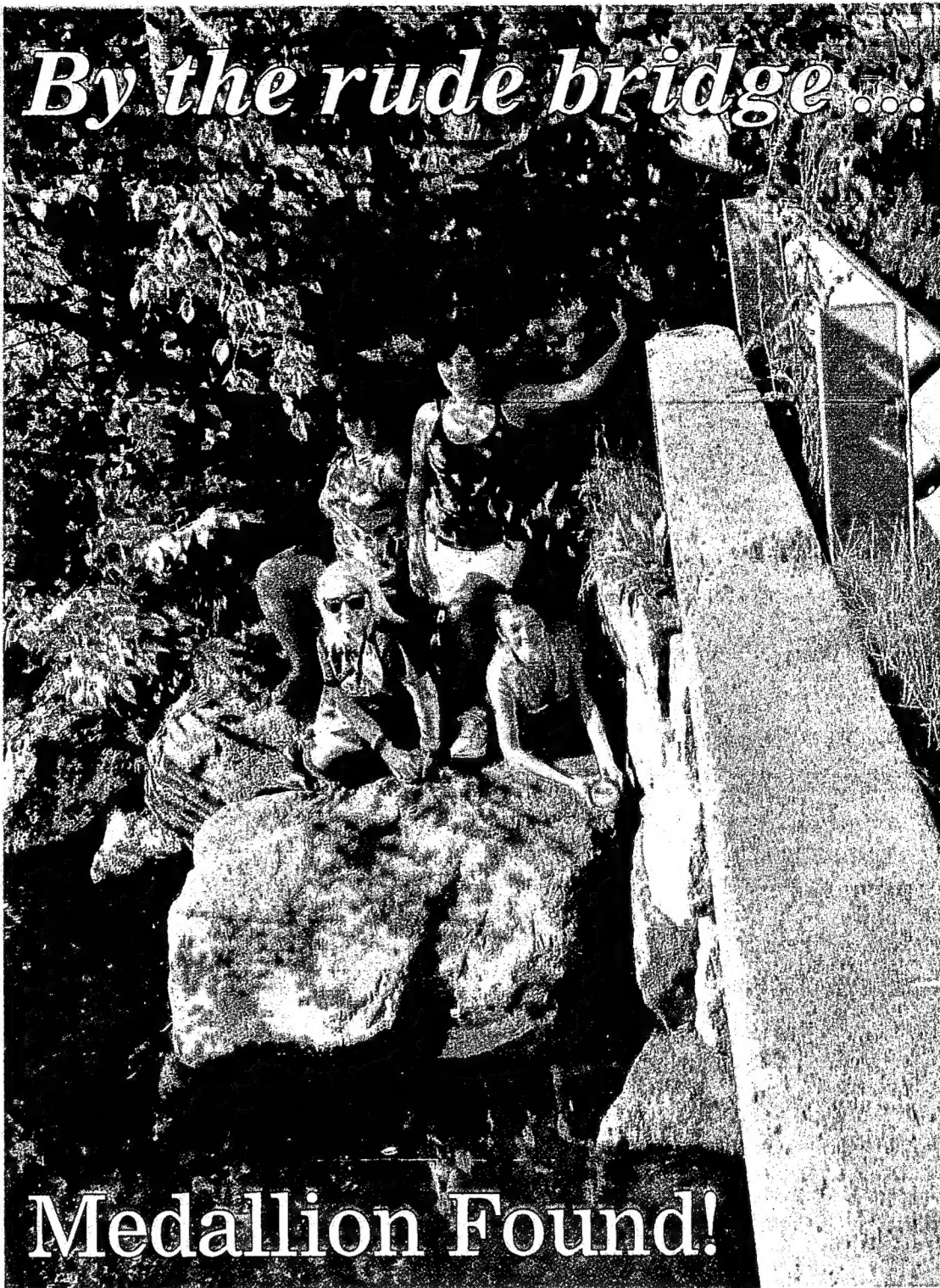
Week Three: "First on the scene gets pick of the litter."
Looks like litter.

Week Four: "Familiar pitch of BoSox summers past: 'Hi, Neighbor, have a ...'"
Narragansett Beer litter.

Week Five: "Depending on point of view, polarized glasses could help; or, perhaps, Jeff and Beau's dad. But not much, if you haven't done your homework on Clue Two."
Polarized lenses help cut glare, including from water surfaces. Their dad was Lloyd Bridges, a.k.a. "Mike Nelson" of "Sea Hunt."
Underwater, but near the surface.

Week Six: "The Drifters found it 'Up on the Roof,' but you'll get lucky down on the rock. You know the one — next to that hard place. Just watch the footing."
Best spotted from a rock — by looking toward the bridge footing.

Online Bonus Clue: "Back when the hunt began, had a final clue become necessary we were going to suggest that after you find the medallion, you round off the quest in a suitably "bullish" fashion, by charging across the road and ordering up a plate of Texas beef brisket. But, sadly, that option is no longer on the table south of Bethel, and actually it might seem more appropriate for you to simply climb back up and wander a few steps around to the left. There you could stop and pay respects to Americans (some of them, no doubt, farmers themselves) who put their lives in harm's way to defend the freedom for which their predecessors had the effrontery to begin fighting, down by that "rude bridge" in Concord, April 19, 1775. Or, you could just throw your head back and let out a howl heard round ..."



"When I saw 'Narragansett,' I knew I'd found it," said Sherri Cordwell of Gilead, winner of this year's Mollycodd Medallion Treasure Hunt. Cordwell (lower right) found the medallion shortly after 4 p.m. Friday, following The Citizen's online publication of a bonus clue, which drew an overflow crowd to the parking lot of the former Round Pond Store in Locke Mills. The medallion was sealed in a round plastic case topped with a rubber Narragansett Beer coaster, and nestled just underwater between the rock here and the bridge footing. Cordwell was familiar from her childhood with the site, which is just behind the Greenwood Veterans' Memorial. "I remember going to Round Pond. My uncle would always get Narragansett Beer, and on Memorial Day we'd get ice cream and they would shoot off their guns, right here." Helping her with the hunt were (clockwise from Cordwell) Destiny Long, Janelle Penley and Brandy Cordwell.

(Photo: M. Daniels)

Parker

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that Parker neither broke laws nor breached the contract.

The District Attorney's Office didn't press charges, but Cole recommended commissioners fire Parker.

In a letter to commissioners, Cole said Parker "demonstrated remarkably poor judgment."

While commissioners considered whether to keep him on the job, Parker received

support from other emergency management officials, including fire chiefs and the director of the Maine Emergency Management Agency.

Cole said Allison Hill, who has been the acting director since Parker was placed on leave, would be the agency's interim director until the commission figures out how to organize the office.

Hill is a six-year employee of the county's Emergency

Management Agency office.

In a June 30 letter to selectmen, Cole recommended a reorganization of the EMA office to make its work "more transparent, more accountable and better synchronized with the needs of municipalities in Oxford County."

On Tuesday, he said he expected the discussion on how to better organize the office to carry on for weeks.

BWD

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Boring under the riverbed was the cheaper alternative, said Angevine.

The project, which the board has been working to fund for several years, will be paid for through a \$493,000 grant/loan

from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The grant amount is \$215,000, the loan \$278,000.

The work should be completed this summer.

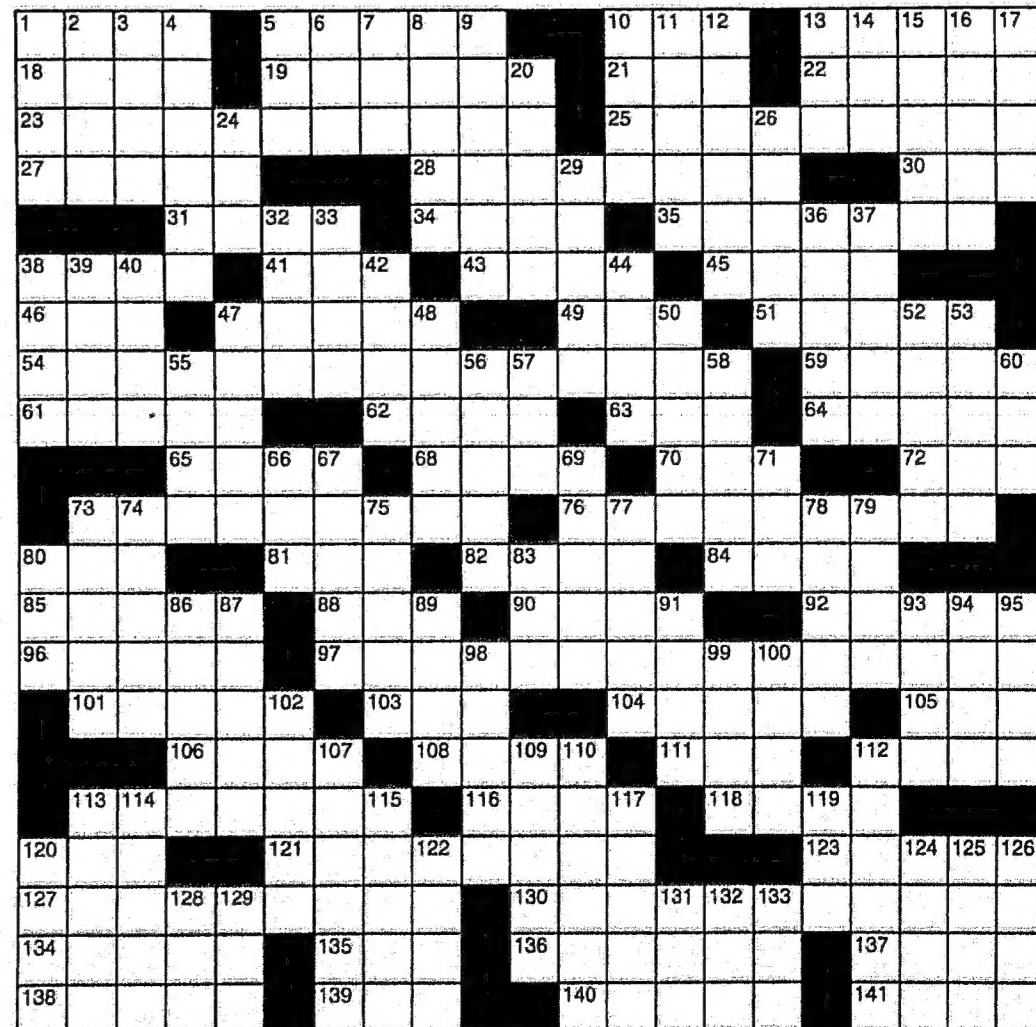
"Before Labor Day people in

West Bethel should be drinking the same water as Bethel," said Angevine Monday.

"It's been a long process, but we're getting closer every day."

Bethel Citizen anonymous tip line: 824-2444, Ext. 5403

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OCSD Patrol Log:

Tuesday, July 12

At 7:14 p.m. on Main Street Amy Green, 29, of Waterford was given a summons by Deputy Matt Noyes for endangering the welfare of a child, Class D.

At 9:40 p.m. a caller reported that ongoing nighttime fires on Mason Street could be dangerous, because they are not monitored closely. Deputy Matt Noyes was assigned.

Wednesday, July 13

At 10:19 a.m. Deputy Mike Parshall gathered information on the Sunday River Road regarding a change of address on the state offender list.

At 3:56 p.m. a report was received from Cross Street of a vehicle being damaged while the owner was in a store. Deputy George Cayer was assigned.

At 8:06 p.m. a caller on Broad Street reported receiving harassing phone calls at the workplace.

Thursday, July 14

At 1:55 p.m. Cpl. Chancey Libby assisted the animal control officer with a horse problem on Vernon Street.

At 9:57 p.m. a caller reported having been threatened by a subject. Cpl. Chancey Libby was assigned.

At 11:46 p.m. a subject with a moose on his car on Broad Street asked for a permit because the animal had been killed by a motor vehicle. Deputy Matt Noyes responded.

Friday, July 15

At 12:29 a.m. Deputies Matt Noyes, Willie Nelson and Chris Davis responded to Route 26 in Bethel. An attempted vehicle stop resulted in a chase, an assault and the arrest of James Irish, 27, of Bethel.

At 6:37 a.m. Deputy Dani Welch summonsed Ransom Cole, 22, of Bethel on the Walkers Mills Road for operating an unregistered motor vehicle.

At 8:34 a.m. Deputies Dani Welch and Mike Parshall and Warden Norm Lewis responded to Route 2 for a report of a subject with a handgun. It proved to be a subject with mental health issues who was playing cops and robbers with a pellet gun.

At 7:35 p.m. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo responded to the Skillings Road regarding some previous threats made and some minor damage to a vehicle that has caused some ongoing harassment.

Saturday, July 16

At 6:30 a.m. a caller reported someone tried to enter a residence on the Grover Hill Road during the night. Deputy Mike Parshall responded. An investigation revealed the damage had been done by a bear.

At 6:53 p.m. Deputies Christin Sugars and Sullivan Rozzo and Sheriff Wayne Gallant responded to the common for a report of several people with open alcohol containers. The subjects were located and drinking in public warnings were issued.

Sunday, July 17

At 1:23 a.m. a Skillings Road caller reported receiving harassing phone calls. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo was assigned.

At 7:23 a.m. Deputies Christin Sugars and Dennis Ryder and Sgt. Tim Ontengco responded to Paradise Road and took Mark Walters, 48, into custody on an arrest warrant for domestic assault and terrorizing.

Oxford County Jail:

July 15, 4:03 a.m.: James D. Irish, 27, of Bethel, OUI, attempting to elude an officer, assault on an officer, failure to submit to arrest, operating without a license, criminal mischief; by Deputy Matt Noyes in Bethel.

July 15, 4:10 p.m.: Dustin P. Hartley, 21, of Bowdoinham, operating after suspension, failure to stop for an officer, driving to endanger; by Sgt. Tim Ontengco in Newry.

Bethel

By DON BENNETT



Saturday morning's first stop for us was the Mollycoddett Parade, Victoria Forkus, this year's princess, was being driven in a Northeast Savings Bank bannered coach. In our memories, Miss Forkus will go down in history as a star in the 2010 Telstar production of "Guys and Dolls" where she made a hit playing Adelaide.

There were many fine floats but since I was my own choos-er, the ancient Molly character on stilts, Bailey and Friends as pirates and buccan-ers and Dotty Boyce with her palomino were my per-sonal choices winners. Along with them a Northern Waters float from Errol, N.H., was a float to get one's attention. A good old-fashioned water gun handled by the float's head gunner was dousing spec-tators as the float idled along. Good to see an Errol float in the parade. A number of Beth-el families have come from Er-rol, including mine.

Mollycoddett Day Parade spectators attract as much at-tention in some cases as the floats. We had the good luck of finding a shady spot in front of a vintage VW camper wag-on; watching the parade pass by was not only cool but you could rest against the front of the vehicle. Two boys were getting experience as side-walk vendors. The first of the two we saw had a lemon-ade stand and the other, John Walker from West Bethel, was selling framed photos which he had taken - very profes-sional looking setup.

After the parade had passed us by we went home for lunch and returned to the Com-mon mid afternoon. Enter-ing the common's midway, it was nice to be greeted by the sweet aroma of baked apples. The food section of the mid-way is maturing into a real county fair arrangement sim-ilar to the Fryeburg Fair. In my trip around the common, I had not gone far when I ran into Scott Hynek and Walter Hatch running the Rotary's Chicken Chip Casino booth. I think that this game was had

to approve as a Bingo game. (Makes you wonder about how silly our local laws and admin-istration can get.)

Anyway, Scott asked if I could take some photos of their "casino" setup and send them to him. He wanted a pho-to of a toy moose in front by the casino sign and the two hens in the background. Most of the time the hens wanted to stay in the shade. According to the game's rules, the chick-en selects the winner (from 144 squares - guess how?) If the chicken selection mecha-nism transcends more than one square, winnings are split accordingly. All judges' de-cisions are final.

There were three winners of \$72 each: Jeff Currier, Eddie Currier and Jen Prokop. Mr. Hynek commented that the big winner, of course, was Ro-tary, which took half of each pot; this, of course, was the point. (Those old birds did a fine job.)

After a minimum wager on the chicken picking a spot in my favor, stop number two was the McLaughlin group at the Gazebo followed up by a photo of Oxford County Sher-iff Wayne Gallant and deputy along with Mike Jodrey, the public safety team.

Saturday evening it was a case of Happy Campers - Happy Campground Owners at Bethel Outdoor Adventure in Mayville. A combination of summer camping and the Forest Rally filled the camp-ground, many were tenting. Excellent weather made for a bonanza weekend.

Sunday morning back at the BOA campground, a fair amount of hustle and bustle was going on. Those making the next leg of the Source to the Sea canoe trek were get-ting their boats into position, laying on bug repellent and sun block as well as chat-ting with each other. This year's trek would include some cano-ers with partial handicaps so volunteers from Maine Handi-capped Skiing were on hand to help as necessary and would paddle with the group. Listen-ing in on the pre-launch brief-ings reminded me of listening to old-time radio broadcasts of horse races, where the weath-er was sunny and warm, in-stead of the track is dry, the river was calm and almost no breeze. It was a beautiful

morning. Around 9:30 the pad-dlers embarked their kayaks and canoes, paddled to a hold-ing area and waited for the others to launch and join up. My count of boats was 27. Off they went down the channel to Davis Park and on to Ha-nover.

An hour and a half later I was back at Bethel Outdoor Adventure for the Tubing and Treasure Scavenger Hunt. Completely new for Mollycoddett Day, this event involved four parties: Bethel Outdoor Adventure, the Bethel Cham-ber, Mt. Mann Jewelers, and the Maine Mineral, Mining and Gem Museum.

By noon Jeff Parsons and his brother, whom Jeff referred to as having to take whatever help you can get these days, had finished inflating new tubes for the tubing down the Androscoggin to Davis Park leg of this event. This new en-try on the Mollycoddett Week-end program was billed as the 1st Annual, of course. Watch-ing the kids and some adults get into the race bode well for its continuing and successful future. Most of the kids made it from BOA to Davis Park in 20 minutes or less. It was also a perfect weather day for tub-ing. Jonathan Parsons in a kayak was the harbor pilot who led tubers in the right di-rection to get to the landing beach at Davis Park.

Once out of the water, con-testants had to run back to BOA with a map show-ing where treasure might be found. Once back at BOA the goal was to strike it rich at the Dig and Sluice cave. Grab a shovel and a pail; go to the mine (pile of gravel with hid-den treasure); fill your buck-et and sift and sluice. Seabury Lyon was in charge of this end of the course. Finally, a tuber-runner-miner ended up at the Finish Line table where what they did, how fast they did it, and what they found was totaled up and given a final score.

Results:

1st Annual Tubing and Treasure Scavenger Hunt: 8 teams, 8 individuals (38 total participants)

Teams: Family/Group with children under age 10, The Bernards, Bethel, 27:41; The Blowfish, Beverly, Mass. 41:29; The Potters, Leawood, Kan. 44:13.

Family/Group with chil-dren between 10-18: The Cuttlefish, Wilmington, Mass. 31:45; Kori-Alyssa, Newry, Maine 35:52; The Crayfish, Beverly, Mass. 42:10.

Family/Group with all participants over 18: Erin and Beck Holden, Auburn, Maine 29:04.

Individuals: Under age 10: Chaia Alford, Bethel 46:00; Amelia Read 52:25.

Ages 10-18: Ben Alford, Bethel 42:40.

19 and up: Ronnie Cava-naugh, Harrison 51:00; Car-olyn Read, Bolton, Mass. 52:25; Jim Cavanaugh, Har-ison 54:00.

This event for all ages is a top notch, A-plus addition to the Mollycoddett week-end program. It ranks right up there with the chainsaw contest of years ago but for kids not just adults. It is handy to the village com-mon which is another plus.

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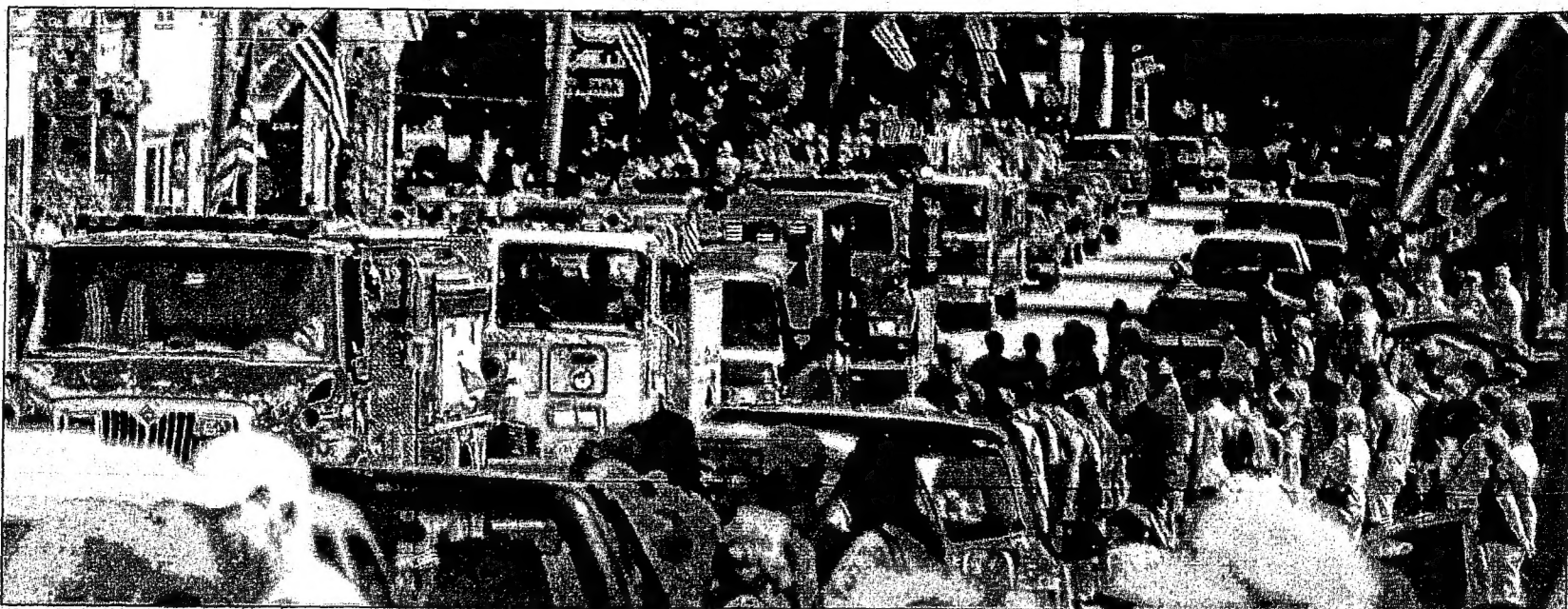
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Mollyockett Days 2011



The second annual Mollyockett Days weekend took place under hot, sunny skies and drew a large crowd. Pictured here are, clockwise, from top left: Chase the English bulldog terrier and "mom," Echo Corliss; fire trucks in the parade move up Main Street; the Upper Androscoggin Anglers float; Miss Mollyockett, Victoria Forkus, presents the \$500 prize for the Medallion Hunt to Sherri Cordwell of Gilead; Maja Mulley of Gilead ran in the One-Mile road race accompanied by her dad, Shawn; the start of the One-Mile Run; Fabian Corriveau Sr., Fabian Corriveau Jr., and Mallory Corriveau ride a Gilead fire truck in the parade. Among the competitions, winners included: Floats: 1. Joe Bailey and friends; 2. Ma-hoosuc Kids Association; and 3. Funky Red Barn. Five-Mile Road Race: Dan Crooker of Bethel for the men, and Leslie Kauren of Warwick, R.I. for the women. (Complete race results may be found at www.allsportsevents.com/Results/running_results/mollyockettdayr2011.htm). Frog Jumping contest: 1. Courtney Iagrossi (10 feet, 1 inch); 2. Payton Berry (9-4); and shortest distance, Jacob Melone (1-4). (Photos: A. Aloisio)



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The History Club

About Census Records
By Mary Ennis

Successful research of family history must not overlook census records. The early census records contain only the head of household name; all other family members were categorized by male/female within age groups. With the 1850 census came a wealth of information for the genealogist.

It contained not only the name of the head of household but also all those living in the household as well as ages, occupations, place of birth and value of real estate if any was owned. As with other records this wasn't always accurate no doubt due to misunderstanding the questions asked.

I have found in some households, neighbors were listed just because they were visiting in the household at the time. A year of birth can be off a few years and the place of birth may not be correct but it does give you a starting point.

The 1890 Federal census was almost entirely lost in a fire so few records are available. The Research Library at the Historical Society has census records of Bethel through 1930. They also have the following towns in the 1850 census: Albany, Andover, Andover North Surplus, Brownfield, Byron, Denmark, Frye-

burg, Fryeburg Academy Grant, Greenwood, Gilead, Hamlin's Grant, Hanover, Hiram, Lovell, Mason, Newry, Porter, Roxbury, Rumford, Stoneham, Stowe, Sweden, Waterford, and the Unorganized townships that included Riley, Grafton and Upton.

There is also a record of Civil War surviving soldiers, sailors and Marines and widows in the Bethel area. This includes rank, company, regiment, date of enlistment, date of discharge, length of service, address and disability incurred.

From Bethel to Andover by Indian canoes - 1789

In May 1789, with a fleet of birch canoes paddled by Indians, the Merrill family of parents and seven children and all of their possessions was taken down the Androscoggin to the mouth of Ellis River where they encamped for the night. From there they journeyed up the Ellis to the new home in the Andover wilderness.

The Merrills had embarked into birch canoes near today's Davis Park, probably at the mouth of Alder River - a favorite Indian gathering point, where Sunday's tube race ended. Ezekiel and Sarah Merrill and their seven children, former residents of West Newbury, Mass., had come from Fryeburg in April 1788 traveling on foot with men hauling sixteen sleds over the 30 miles to Bethel, then known as Sudbury.

It is also quite possible that Molly Ockett had helped arrange the Merrills' canoe transport to Andover.

Source: "Andover: The First 175 Years," by the Andover Friday Club, 1979.

Coming Events

July 30, Saturday - At the Bethel Historical Society the Second Ripley Brass Band Festival with performances of 19th century music on antique instruments will take place between 1 and 5:30 p.m. A number of musical pieces in the program were composed by Winfield Scott Ripley of Paris, Maine. (Bethel Historical Society Newsletter, The Broad Street Herald)

From Nancy Brown:

I was happy to see that Bethel's crosswalks were repainted just before Mollyockett Day. Unfortunately, I don't think everyone noticed this. One of my pet peeves is that people don't observe the crosswalks. On Mollyockett Day when the town was filled with pedestrians, cars whizzed down Main Street, many of them not stopping even when people were attempting to cross the street. Maine State law says that cars must stop when a pedestrian is in the crosswalk. This is supposed to be posted either at the crosswalks or on the roads at the entrance of the towns. However, drivers are not the only ones at fault. It is a two-way street. Pedestrians are supposed to cross at the crosswalk. On a regular day many people cross the streets wherever they want. This was true on Saturday as well. However, in front of the post office I saw one young man take his sister's hand and explain why she needed to cross the street in the crosswalk. "It's safer," he said. In the past I have heard people complain that they don't want to walk all the way to a crosswalk. Actually, in Bethel we don't have to take very many steps to hit a crosswalk. There are a lot of them and most are placed where there is a lot of foot traffic. For example, the distance from the top of Main Street to Railroad Street is half a mile. There are eight conveniently placed crosswalks in that short distance.

On Sunday, July 31, the Bethel United Methodist Church will host a three-church worship service with the Rumford and Rumford Center United Methodist churches. The service will be at 10 a.m., followed by a lunch. The public is invited.

I have written before about Responsible Pet Care of Oxford Hills, which is located at 132 Waterford Road in Norway. RPC is this area's only feline shelter and adoption center. Starting in the fall RPC

will begin fundraising for a new shelter that will house both cats and dogs. The current shelter is always in need of money, cat food, kitty litter, and other items needed to care for cats and kittens. Pawsibilities Thrift Shoppe, which is located next door to the shelter, also accepts items for sale in the shop. They particularly need furniture. All proceeds from the shop goes to care for the animals in the shelter. On Saturday, Aug. 6, there will be a large yard sale at Pawsibilities. For more information about donating to the shelter, call 743-8679, or go to www.rpc.petfinder.com.

On Sunday, July 17, Tia Panico of Middleburgh, N.Y., and Katie Matczak of Bellingham, Mass., visited their great-grandmother, Musa Brown. Tia and Katie were on their way to Shelburne, N.H., where they will spend a week visiting their grandparents, Laurie and Bob Hickey.

Do you have news that you'd like to share? Please send it to nancybrown1150@yahoo.com or call me at 824-2483.

West Bethel

By LORRIE HOEH



Mollyockett Days have once more come and gone, with parade, contests, booths, food, fireworks, and general all-round fun. I was doing a shift at the library book sale when the parade passed by, so I got a good look without having to jockey for space.

The book sale did a brisk business, and I think that the library will have gained a tidy sum as a result. We were also selling raffle tickets on the beautiful quilt donated by Cross Country Quilters. There were certainly some fantastic bargains in books to be had. If you missed it, mark

your calendars now for next year.

On Sunday morning, the Mollyockett Days Classic Road Races took place. Runners, walkers, and Nordic walkers from far and near were there to participate on what turned out to be a hot and humid morning. Things started off with the little ones, sometimes accompanied by a parent or older sibling, doing their best to toddle in first. Then there were the youngsters up to age 14 who raced a one-mile course.

Following the one-mile, the biggest group set out: runners to cover a five-mile route; walkers and Nordic walkers to cover a three-mile course. I'm sure the run up the backside of Paradise Road was a doozy - I have tried walking it, and it isn't easy. For walkers the equivalent tough stretch was going up the switchbacks at Eden Ridge, made bearable by the leisurely downhill after turning off Eden Lane to Paradise.

A new event was added this year - the diaper dash. There were categories for creepers, toddlers, and slightly older toddlers. Lots of proud parents and lots of happy youngsters were the result. All of this was followed by a raffle of several prizes donated by area businesses, and then awards for winners in their respective classes or age groups. Our grandson, Andrew Siegel, came in first overall in the one-mile race by a whopping 30 seconds, and congratulations to him. Since there were only four Nordic walkers, I managed to come in first by a margin of about three seconds. Most important of all, we had fun.

Another milestone was reached this week when Music Without Borders ended its three-week run of the fifth annual festival Tuesday night with a grand finale concert at the McLaughlin Science Center at Gould Academy. For the past weeks we have been treated to wonderful recitals

by these incredibly talented young people, who ranged in age from 8 years to 23 years old, not counting their teacher, Tamara Poddubnaya, who performed her recital on Sunday afternoon. Many thanks to Dr. Poddubnaya, her wonderful students, and to Don Christie, who has been organizer, supporter, and chief factotum for all five festivals.

On Monday evening family and friends gathered at the home of our daughter and son-in-law, Martha and Kirk Siegel, to celebrate Mike's 81st birthday and Molly Siegel's 17th. Molly's birthday was actually last Thursday, but she was away at a Nordic training camp at Lake Placid, thus the combined Monday celebration. Picnic fare was the order of the day, and a good time was had by all. Happy Birthday to my husband of 55 years and to our dear granddaughter.

On a sad note, we extend our sympathy and condolences to Lynn Kulyk and her family on the death of Lynn's mother at age 93 at Market Square Living Center. Lynn and husband Bud for several years spent summers in West Bethel in their motor home and made many friends while there. They have since bought and rehabbed a house in Bethel village where they live year-round.

The vegetable gardens have produced eating-sized broccoli, summer squash, lettuce, and peas. The Japanese beetles have descended in large numbers in our garden and those of our neighbors. The sweet cherry tree dropped all its cherries before they had a chance to develop, having turned black and dried up. Maybe next year. We see a few apples and pears, and our new little peach tree has some peaches which are growing and developing - fingers crossed!

Please be in touch with me at dhoeh@megalink.net or 824-2917.

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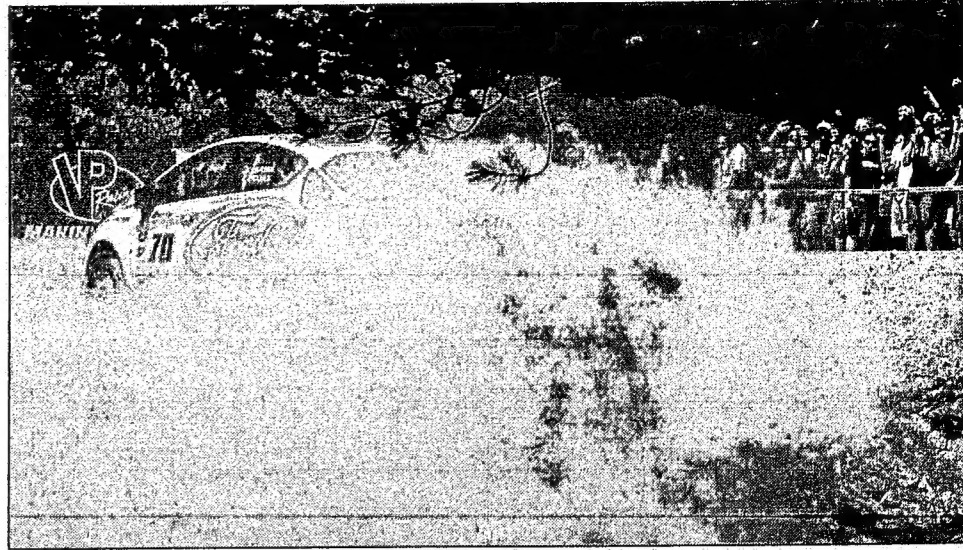
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East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



A large part of the country is still in the grip of this ongoing heat wave. I was reading that in parts

of Oklahoma roads are buckling and asphalt melting due to the extreme temperatures. It seems to me that we are still better off in our neck of the woods.

Lucy Nordahl told me that over the 4th of July they had lots of family visiting for eight days. First two sisters-in-law and a brother-in-law came and then her daughter and two grandsons arrived. All had a great time hiking, canoeing, and going to ZipLine at Sunday River. They also went to see the new Harry Potter. I can't hardly wait to see it myself.

We celebrated my son Ryan's 21st birthday on the 16th. Wonder where the time went?

I need to share a very sad story with you and hopefully you can let me know who should have been contacted. A friend who just last year

moved to Milton told me that her neighbor's cat apparently was chased up a tree and would not come back down. She made several calls, yet with no results. Animal Control told her that the cat will come down on its own. She was fighting back tears telling me the story. After four days the cat died.

Now it is time for the answer to the Trivia. In 1847 Phineas Frost wanted to have a new town formed from the Gore, Milton, and the eastern end of Bethel. The idea died early. How about we have some fun with this and come up with a name for the town Phineas had suggested? Call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net with your ideas, please.

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



It is Sunday afternoon and so hot that it is an effort to accomplish anything. Good day to stay inside.

My brother, Steve McLain, decided last Saturday to check out the project behind his

house. The railroad has expanded the area on the river side of the tracks to make room for a storage facility for windmill projects. The pieces will be unloaded there and loaded onto trucks to be taken to their destinations.

Lise McLain visited her father, Gerard Dupont, at Ledgewick last Saturday, with two cousins, who were visiting from Canada. They enjoyed their visit outside on the deck since the weather was nice.

Norm Buttrick was at his place on Bog Road this past weekend. Hugh went down last Wednesday to so some mowing for him, since Norm is still recovering from recent knee surgery. He is doing well, but there are still some things he should not be doing, like mowing.

While Hugh was there mowing, Lorraine Anderson from across the road came over to check on the progress. She admitted that she reads this column - so hello to Lorraine.

Hugh and I called Bob and Judy Bishop to check in with them at the end of the week and they were planning on being home in Yarmouth for the Yarmouth Clam Festival.

Hugh and I spent last Saturday with the grandchildren, William, Annie, Ajay and Sidney, while Tim and Michele were working.

Kenny Marshall, son of Joyce Marshall of Buckfield, graduated from Kaplan University with a degree in Criminal Justice. For the past several years, he has lived with Fernand and Holly Corriveau, Jr. in Albany, Maine and has been like a member of their family. Fernand and Beverly Corriveau of Gilead consider Kenny as one of their grandchildren and would like to congratulate him on his accomplishment.

Planning Board
The next meeting of the Planning Board will be on Thursday, Aug. 4 at the Town Office at 7 p.m.

Selectmen's Meeting
The Board of Selectmen met on Wednesday, July 13 at the Town Office. After signing the monthly warrants, they signed a couple of appointments, discussed 911 addresses, real estate taxes and tree growth.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com

Andover

By JANE RICH



The Olde Home Day Committee held its last pre-event meeting on Monday evening. T-shirts are on sale for \$12 and feature a picture of Main Street around 1900. Shirts can be had by seeing Betsy Belanger or Judy Tabb. Buttons are available in local stores with a picture of the water fountain that now resides in the middle of the common, but at one time was located at the intersection of Main and Newton streets so horses could water there. Paula Lee, Children's Game chair is looking for someone to monitor the Moon Bounce from 11-12 Noon on the 6th of August. This community-minded person has to make sure the children take off their shoes and otherwise are supervised. The kids love this event, but it can't happen without adult supervision.

A new event this year will be the skillet toss for women. As of Monday there were eight spots for vendors left on the

common. Contact Judy Michaud 392-1221 if you would like a space. The committee, received with gratitude, a quilt made by Mary Damone to be one of the prizes awarded at the Bandstand.

The Food Pantry has announced there will be a Variety Show on Aug. 13 at 7 p.m. Of course, the group is looking for some of our wonderful local talent to commit themselves to this great event. If you're willing to share your talent for the benefit of the Food Pantry, contact Linda Couture at 364-7968

The People In Action Committee will be sponsoring a Senior Meal on Tuesday, July 26, at 12 Noon. This free community dinner is open to anyone who would like to attend. In keeping with our summer traditions the entree will be barbecued chicken.

The Save Our School Committee continues to meet in the Town Hall at 6 p.m. on Thursdays and is well organized with several subcommittees exploring the various options which will enable us to keep our school here in Andover.

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The Hungry Kingdom Committee continues to raise funds to feed our school children for the 2011-12 school year. The cost to sponsor a child is \$185 and 15 children have already been sponsored. Donations can be addressed to the church at the above address and once again please mark them Hungry Kingdom.

Newry

By SENECA CORRIVEAU



Please forgive my absence. I often wonder if perhaps I've bitten off more than I can chew. But,

nonetheless, here we are! I do

hope that everyone is enjoying their summer. We have had such a great stroke of weather, a bit humid, but it is July after all. Hard to believe that the year is going by so fast, summer days keep slipping past our fingertips. Rather than digging in my heels and fighting against it, I've resolved to embrace each day, enjoy it for what it is and try to do something memorable. So often our lives are filled with regrets, dragging us down, but no more.

On top of the daily chores of the farm, and gardening, Freeman, the kids and I, have been lending a hand this season with the haying. We have come to like it. We'd never chose it over Disneyland but it is hard work with reward. My favorite part is riding with the load back to the barn, hot, sticky and exhausted but revived by the smell of fresh hay drifting in the warm summer breeze, crickets singing as you pass by. It is full summer gratification, or merely it is just your tired muscles screaming their relief that you are done for the day. Whichever your view, it is one of those moments not to be forgotten.

In this "tough economy," (a phrase that I am sick of hearing), we have chosen to jump

on board and try "Stay-cationing" (an entirely new phrase designed to combat the aforementioned). We spent the week camping at the Grafton Notch Campground. And yes, it is only a mile down the road but it was ONLY a mile down the road! We were able to return home for chores and to grab all the things that we'd forgotten to pack. Our critters hardly knew we were gone but the experience was a memorable one. We got the whole package, complete with tarps, hard beds and smores. The kiddos brought their bikes and toiled around the campground, making friends with the "neighbors' children" at the other campsites. There are showers that don't run on coins, super clean bathrooms, swimming and fishing, secluded sites, great views and even hot and cold running water at the bathhouse for you to wash your dishes! I'm still shocked, it was awesome to not have to wait all night for the pot of water over the fire to heat up before washing the supper dishes. I would highly recommend a visit to Grafton Notch Campground or one of the other local options. Immerse yourself in the experience and pretend that you don't recognize the fa-

miliar sounds of dogs and vehicles heard round the campfire at night. Simply gaze up at the same stars that you see at home and enjoy the fact that you are not home, you are on vacation!

Find whatever it is that makes you glad to be alive and do it, provided that it doesn't land you in trouble. Have a blessed week! Contact me to share your Newry News - sabcart@gmail.com or the good 'ole-fashioned way, 824-0836.

Hanover

By CLEM WORCESTER



The children of the Children's Garden sponsored by Gardner Roberts Memorial Library built a new scarecrow on July 13 to take the place of Friendly Fred who decided to retire after watching over the garden all last year. We do not know the name of the handsome new fellow but we are sure he will do a good job. The garden is looking good this year as the children and assisting adults have worked very hard.

We extend sympathy to the family of Joan Tucker upon

her recent death. She was originally from the Norway area and with her husband raised their family at Rumford Corner. After her family was grown she operated the Last Resort Bed and Breakfast and was involved in many activities. After selling her home Joan moved to Hanover where she enjoyed her beautiful flower gardens. There will be a memorial service in Norway in September. Many miss her.

The Rumford Grange Open House was Saturday, July 16. During the service Donna Worcester on behalf of the group presented Jeff Sterling of Rumford with the Citizen of the Year award. Jeff has been a key figure with the Rumford Point Community Athletic Association and served on the boards of many area organizations. He most recently was reelected to a three-year term as a Rumford selectman.

Among those attending was Rumford Town Manager Carlo Puilia. Mr. Puilia spoke of

Jeff's accomplishments that make him the right choice for Citizen of the Year.

Also honored with a special award was Grange member Wendell Easter who lives on Ellis River Road in Rumford. Wendell has been a Grange member for 70 years, and he was also presented a certificate to commemorate the accomplishment. Grange Master Vicki Clark made the presentations to Wendell. Following the awards presentations the group enjoyed a lecture about spruce gum by David Fuller.

Rumford Grange had a display at the North Waterford World Fair last weekend. The display earned a third-place rating during the judging.

Workers continue to clean up massive forest damage caused by an extremely intense lightning and wind-storm several weeks ago.

Recent visitors at the Don-

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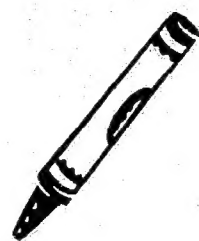
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From the Director

Mahoosuc Kids is half way through "It's a Glee Summer"! What a wonderful time we have had with our theme this year. The kids loved the trip to Happy Wheels and several staff experienced "roller skating" for the first time! The weather has been awesome and afternoons at Songo, Greenwood and the Letter S have been really enjoyable. My favorite day is Friday when the kids "cook" lunch together and have worked so hard on polishing their dance moves for the parade! It has been such a pleasure to partner with Northeast Bank on events around Mollyocket Day. The staff has been wonderful - coming in after work to plan and create the parade float with our kids. Thanks to MKA staff Tera Ingraham and Megan Kelly who volunteered to be in the Northeast Bank "dunk tank"! We all look forward to a continued partnership with the bank in the future. Follow MKA on Facebook and now on Twitter @Mahoosuc Kids. We always have openings for kids in grades K-5 - just give us a call at 824-7007. Enjoy the Summer!

- Julie Hart,
MKA Director



Harrison Kimball, Mia Hofmann, Troy Anderson, Zander Larriviere, Chris Pierce, Isabella DeVivo, and Celia Melanson bury counselor Kyle Kuvaja in the sand.



Jacky Tse loves the sprinkler!



Erin Quigley gets ready to slide down the rocks at Step Falls.



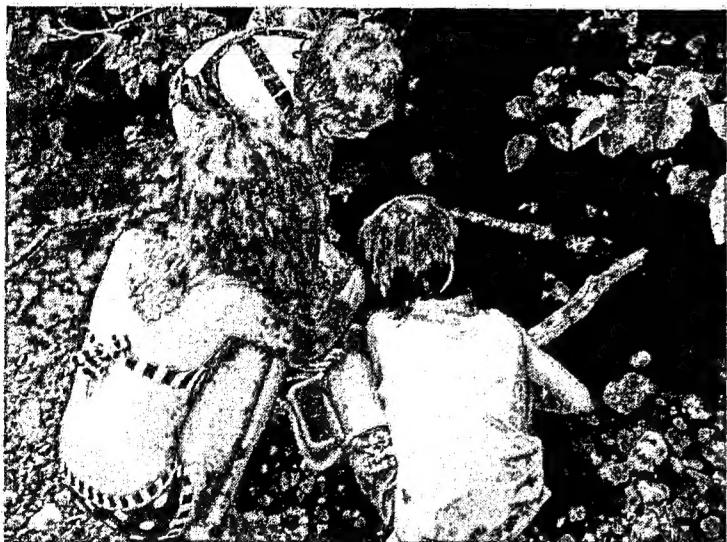
Pioneers Isabel Chase, Abigail Landry, and Mia Hofmann take a swim break while hiking at Step Falls.



Charles Hodge shows Reese Rosenberg the sunfish he caught at the rest area in Greenwood.



On Friday afternoons, troopers can be found running through the sprinklers.



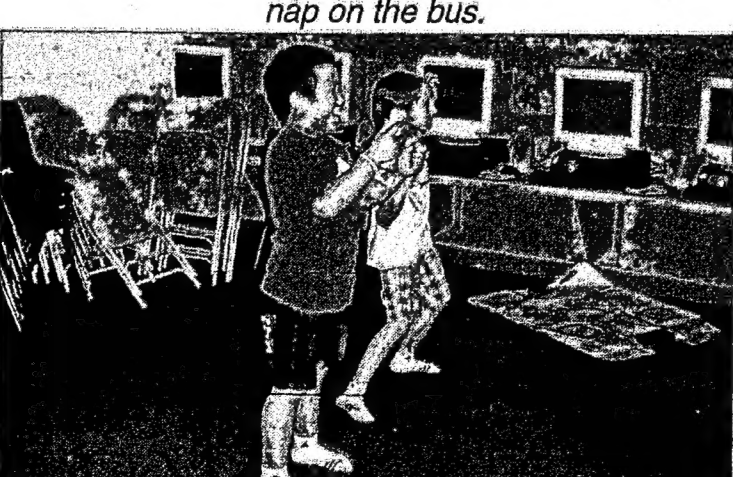
Searching for tadpoles.



Voyagers Mario DeVivo and Austin Westleigh nap on the bus.



Isabella DeVivo, Chase Ormiston, and Shelby Thorman play in the sand at Mt. Blue State Park.



Jacky Tse and Mario DeVivo play Wii games together.



Austin Westleigh, Jake Chiasson, and Kyle Locklin made a backyard volcano during weird science.



The Explorers; Troy Anderson, Maja Mulley, Odessa Files, Samantha Beaudoin, and Alex Chase with their counselors Tera Ingraham and Brittany Field.

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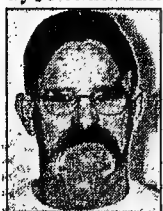
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na and Clem Worcester home were Brian, Sara, Kaylynn, Shawnee and Makala Worcester from Carthage and Carrie from Fort Kent.

Upton

By JOE BERNIER



E r r o r Heritage Day will be Saturday, July 30. There will be vendors, presentations, a fiddle contest, the Airing of the Quilts and other events. For more information you may contact Debbie via e-mail at, debbie2000@aol.com.

We saw a pretty doe in the garden; I didn't think deer would eat squash, but that is the section of the garden she was in.

The date for Upton Historical Society's next meeting is Sunday, July 24, at 1 p.m. in the schoolhouse. The agenda includes: finishing the design for this year's tee shirts, working on projects for Fun Day "including the plans for the tour of Louise Dickinson Rich houses" and setting up some workshop days to clean and arrange in the school. Please attend if you can, ideas and help are needed.

Telstar Alumni Association sold kettle-corn and other items at Mollycoddett Day. They expect to do the same at Andover Olde Home Days. Please stop by and say hi to us.

We have attended three weddings so far this summer, only one to go, that I know of. Crazy, busy year so far, hopefully it will slow down soon.

Mason

By RICHARD GROVER



Last Saturday we spent the afternoon and night with Norm and Gail Weston at their camp in Oquossoc, where we always enjoy silly

stories, good food, cards, sometimes a little fishing and watching the antics of the dogs. This time we had Shiloh with us, thinking he would like playing with their dogs. Didn't happen that way.

Norm, Gail and the dogs came out of the camp to greet us as we drove into the driveway. Shiloh, who now weighs about 70 pounds, got out of the car and trotted over to greet 15-pound Fletcher, a 15-pound dachshund/something mix, tail wagging all the way.

Fletcher, immediately terrorized, yelped, turned and ran up Gail's front and covered in her arms, now loudly barking and growling at Shiloh!

A similar reaction occurred every time Shiloh approached anywhere close to Fletcher. We tried to keep Shiloh away from him the rest of our time there, just to avoid Fletcher's loud outbursts!

Then Shiloh turned and approached Sophie, their 10-year-old and tired female Old English Sheepdog. Sophie just showed Shiloh she would not tolerate any of his advances, first growling, and then just walking away. Shiloh demonstrated all his most appealing approaches to get Sophie to play, even dropping a leather bone at her feet! Sophie made no reaction. Sophie spent a lot of time lying on the ground adjacent to the deck, and we got a ton of laughs watching Shiloh's antics as he tried to get Sophie to play; he rushed at her, dodged and ran around back and forth, got down with his chin on the ground and kind of slithered up to her, brought her a couple different bones, and still she just lay there! Poor Shiloh! Nobody but people would play with him.

We had to hurry home Sunday morning to be ready when Noah was supposed to be there, so his parents could go to a concert in Scarborough. Fletcher was in his "mother's" arms as we drove out the drive on Sunday morning.

Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



This week sure has been a hot one, I even went swimming once, maybe twice by the time you read this. I went in Five Kezars with my friend Jewell and may go in another pond later this week. It is nice to get wet and cool down. Sunday, Dave and I roasted at the Transfer Station; the sun was direct and hot and there was no shade or breeze most of the day. Friend Jim brought us lemons and that helped. Of course we had brought lots of water. Still it was some hot. If the thermostats there are to be believed, it reached almost 100. In any case, I'm sure glad I'm not in the Midwest and west where it has hit more than 114. That is just too hot.

We did take in a half hour of Mollycoddett, but missed the Waterford World's Fair. We did it after having to look for new Teva's for me. Didn't even find what I wanted, but that's OK. I broke down and ordered them. After 15 years, I thought it was time for new ones.

Thursday, the 21st, ACA meets at the Waterford Library from 10 to 11 a.m. Last week a picnic lunch was had by all. We plan on doing that again soon. We are finishing up Step 7. FMI please call 739-9115.

Waterford breakfasts will continue on Wednesday throughout the summer. The dates are July 20, Aug. 3, Aug. 17. The proceeds will go toward maintenance of the Wilkins House. There are also indoor yard sales at the same time.

July 22, Schooner Fare will play at Deertrees. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$9 for students. FMI call 583-6747.

Aug. 4, Tim Sample will be at the North Waterford Church at 7 p.m. It will benefit Waterford Historical Society. That is all for this week.

Hope to go blueberry picking shortly.

West Paris

By JOYCE LAMB



W a r m , comfortable, beautiful days have been with us for two weeks with a promise of many more to come.

Watermelons are plentiful and good. I got a big, heavy round striped one and am trying to eat it all before it spoils. No company has come to share it with. I know of no way to freeze it for future days before it spoils.

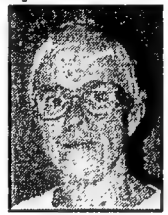
The Cotton Tops continue to walk. We do this in early morning for it is usually cool with a light breeze. At times a light jacket feels good. The sun gets up early so sunglasses are necessary.

The West Paris Universalist Church is closed for the summer. Several of us drive to the West Sumner Universalist. The service starts at 11 a.m.. They have different speakers each Sunday with conversation and refreshments following. I pick up others to go with me. On the 24th, Berenice Martin will be the speaker. All are welcome.

Beverly and Vince Stevens have returned from a cruise tour to Alaska. They said it was great but they did not see a grizzly bear!

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



Judith Grover tent 17 DUVCW met on Monday, July 11, at the Grange Hall. Elsie Bonney served as chaplain and

Vicky Myers as assistant guard. It was reported Ryan Reed received his box and was very pleased. Elsie Bonney was recognized as new Department of Maine

president of the DUVCW. She requested no reception at this time. There will not be an August meeting as usual since several members are going to National Convention in New York. Next meeting will be in September and we will have flag retiring and inspection and invite tents 8 and 19 to join us with a cookout. It was brought up for thought to sell a calendar for the monument fund. Thirty-five calls were reported.

Marybeth Hoover and Kitten (Rufus) spent the weekend at her parents' home, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hoover.

Services at the Bryant Pond Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., morning worship service at 10:30 a.m., evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening is prayer meeting at 6:30. This week is Vacation Bible School for the whole family. Saturday, July 23, is the church picnic at Arlene MacKillop's around noon. Come bring a friend.

Friends and neighbors of Phil and Juanita Korhonen are holding a food sale on Saturday, July 30, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Grange Hall porch in Bryant Pond. If anyone has anything they would like to donate, such as food or other things, it would be appreciated. They will sell them with all proceeds going to the Korhonen. If there is something in the food line you would like to order, call Norma Davis, 665-2281. Come help make this a success.

Historical Society Paul Billings watched the Historical Society Museum and three people were in. Curator Larry Billings says they are grateful for the many things donated this summer. People are bringing in whole boxes of things. Much thanks. Visit the museum on Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m.

At the July meeting of the Historical Society the program was the reading of the article in the "Lighthouse Digest" on the Baptist Church bell. Also, Dean Bennett donated a book to the research library.

Ripley Brass Band festival at BHS

On Saturday, July 30, from 1 to 5:30 p.m., the Second Ripley Brass Band Festival will take place on the Bethel Historical Society's grounds (14 Broad Street), or at the historic Middle Intervale Meetinghouse, a few miles downriver on Intervale Road, in case of inclement weather. Performing authentic 19th century music on antique instruments that afternoon between 1 and 5:30 p.m. will be the celebrated Yankee Brass Band, plus three other groups: the Carter Mountain Brass Band (New Hampshire), Newmont Band (Vermont), and Centennial Brass Band (Maine). Included in the musical selections will be a number of pieces composed by Winfield Scott Ripley of Paris, Maine.

With its collection of antique instruments and authentic music scores, the Yankee Brass Band gives the audience an auditory living-history experience they will long remember. The quicksteps, gallops, polkas, mazurkas, schottisches and waltzes, and the many overtures and medleys popular in the mid-19th century make up the program of the typical brass band concert of yesteryear. Admission to the Ripley Brass Band Festival is free, although donations will be gratefully received. Anyone making a donation to offset the cost of this event before July 30 will be added to a list of supporters on display at the event and included in the society's 2011 "Report of Giving."

Founded in 1966, the Bethel Historical Society is western Maine's largest and most comprehensive historical agency. With over 1,000 members, the society fosters a sense of place - with a focus on western Maine and the White Mountain region.

Community Calendar

Bethel Farmers Market open Saturdays through Oct. 9 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. rain or shine at Norway Savings Bank. FMI: 890-6859 or bethelfarmersmarket.com.

Every Tuesday and Wednesday 5:30 p.m. - Western Maine Velo Group Road Ride, meet at Bethel Bicycle, 53 Mayville Road, Bethel. Call ahead 824-0100 for route information. Rides 15 to 49 miles. Open to all riders.

Every Saturday 11:30 a.m. - Guided One-Hour Walking Tour of Historic Bethel Hill. Meet at bell tower on north end of common. Free but donations accepted. FMI: 824-2908.

Thru Aug. 7 Annual Source to the Sea Trek begins Lake Umbagog, continues in 19-day trips and ends in Brunswick. FMI/register: www.androscogginwatershed.org.

Sundays thru Labor Day 12 Noon to 6 p.m. - Free Country, Bluegrass, gospel jam sessions at Countryfolk Music Theatre, Route 2, East Dixfield. FMI: 645-4411.

Sundays thru July and August (except Aug. 21) 2 to 4 p.m. - Open House Finnish-American Heritage Center, 8 Maple Street, West Paris.

Tuesdays thru Aug. 9 7:30 p.m. - Deertrees Theatre, Harrison, chamber music by Sebago-Long Lake Music Festival. Tickets: \$20 (under 21 free), \$85 for the five concerts, available Box Office 583-6747, Cool Moose, Bridgton, The Country Sleigh, Naples, Books N Things, Norway, or online www.sebagomusicfestival.org.

Harvest Gold Gallery, Route 5, Center Lovell, presents plein air oil painter, Diane Scott who paints landscapes, urban scenes and seascapes. FMI: 925-6502 or visit www.harvestgoldgallery.com

Thursday, July 21 1 p.m. - Sebago-Long Lake Music Festival "Discover the Joys of Live Music" presentation at Oxford Hills High School, South Paris. Tickets: \$12/\$4, LOOK participants/families free.

7 and 9:30 p.m. - Deertrees Theatre, Harrison, presents Bob Marley. Tickets: \$25, available The Cool Moose, Bridgton, The Country Sleigh, Norway or Books and Things, Norway; online: www.sebagomusicfestival.org or call 583-6747.

7 p.m. - St. Kieran Community Arts Center, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H., presents late John Lennon's music performed by The Nu-Utopians seven-piece ensemble. Tickets: \$12 adults/\$6 students. FMI: (603) 752-1028 or www.stkieranarts.org

Friday, July 22 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Day of Democracy events at Cafe diCocoa, Main Street, Bethel with Cathy Newell organizer. FMI on petition and signing: 875-2116.

8 p.m. - Deertrees Theatre, Harrison, presents Schooner Fare. Tickets: \$18, students \$9, available The Cool Moose, Bridgton, The Country Sleigh, Norway or Books and Things, Norway; online: www.sebagomusicfestival.org or call 583-6747.

Saturday, July 23 Tough Mountain Challenge at Sunday River. FMI: 824-3000 or www.toughmountain.com

8:30 to 10:30 p.m. - McLaughlin Garden to light 1,000 candles, twinkle lights and lanterns for Garden Illuminated. Tickets: \$20.

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Yard Sale, West Paris Fire Auxiliary, Hilltop Pools and Spas, Route 26, West Paris.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. - ATV Maine exhibit at Maine Wildlife Park, Gray. FMI: 657-4977 or www.maine-wildlifepark.com or www.mefishwildlife.com or Facebook.

8 p.m. - Celebration Barn Theater, Route 117, Stock Farm Road, South Paris, presents Daniel Stein in "Timepiece." Doors open 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$14 adults/\$12 seniors/\$8 students and kids. FMI or advance tickets: 743-8452 or visit www.CelebrationBarn.com.

8 p.m. - Deertrees Theatre, Harrison, presents Kruger Brothers' Bluegrass. Tickets: \$22/\$11. Available The Cool

Moose, Bridgton, The Country Sleigh, Norway or Books and Things, Norway; online: www.sebagomusicfestival.org or call 583-6747.

Saturdays July 23, 30 7 to 9 p.m. - Jones Dance Band, South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Adults \$5. Lunch counter open.

Sunday, July 24 Noon to 1:30 p.m. - Meatloaf Dinner at Rumford Center Grange.

1 p.m. - North Pond Sailing Association Regatta. Free and open to all. FMI: 875-3726.

2 to 4 p.m. - Reception for Dennis Doyen and Jack Cross at Stan Howe's, 18 Broad Street, Bethel (across from Bethel Inn). Upton Historical Society meeting.

Monday, July 25 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Day of Democracy events at Cafe Nomad, Main Street, Norway with Roy Gedat organizer. FMI on petition and signing: 875-2116.

Tuesday, July 26 1 to 4 p.m. - Day of Democracy events at Sam's, Route 2, Rumford with Jimmy McHugh organizer. FMI on petition and signing: 875-2116.

7 p.m. - Western Foothills Land Trust presents Maine author Jeff Romano to share images and stories of his favorite hikes in the White Mountains and western Maine. FMI: 739-2124.

7:30 p.m. - Deertrees Theatre, Harrison, presents "Mahler Remembered," celebrated for his 10 massive symphonies and his orchestral works with vocal soloists. Tickets: \$20, available The Cool Moose, Bridgton, The Country Sleigh, Norway or Books and Things, Norway; online: www.sebagomusicfestival.org or call 583-6747.

Wednesday, July 27 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Community Supper (no charge) Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walker's Mills Road (across from Telstar Parking lot). Call 824-2289 for more information.

Thursday, July 28 5:30 p.m. - Public Supper Albany Congregational Church, Hunts Corner Road. Adults \$7/12 and under \$4.

Friday, July 29 Norway Open Mic Night, First Universalist Church, 479 Main Street, Norway. Sign-up: 6:30, open mic about 7 p.m. Admission: \$3, refreshments available. FMI: (603) 733-6350, e-mail heather@heatherpierson.com.

Friday and Saturday, July 29 and 30 Rangeley's Logging Festival and Parade. FMI: 491-6566 or 864-3939.

July 29, 30, 31 Fri. 7:30 p.m., Sat. 4 and 7:30 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m. - Beauty and the Beast Junior performance at Schoolhouse Arts Center, 16 Richville Road (Route 114), Standish. Tickets: \$10 adults/\$8 students, seniors/\$5 children 5. FMI: 642-3743 or www.schoolhousearts.org.

Saturday, July 30 8:30 to 4 p.m. - Ninth Annual Skunk Run, fundraiser in support of Sandon A. Morgan Memorial Scholarship. Motorcycles leave 10 a.m. from American Legion Hall, Locke Mills (rain date July 31). Roast 3 to 4 p.m. FMI: Melissa (Morgan) Haskell 890-5300 or BikerSkunk@yahoo.com.

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Yard Sale for Phil and Juanita Korhonen, hosted by friends and neighbors at Franklin Grange Hall, Bryant Pond. Donations welcome. To order from food line call Norma Davis (665-2281).

9:30 a.m. - Mahoosuc Land Trust's Puzzle Mountain Trip, second "Take it Outside" hike. 7.5 mile moderately strenuous hike (four-mile option to ledges possible). Meet at trailhead 9:30 a.m. Bring water, lunch, bug and sun protection. Please call 824-3806 if going.

Summer Book Sale at West Paris Library, 23 Main Street. Needed: new/gently used books, books-on-tape, DVDs and CDs. No dictionaries, Readers Digests, text books. FMI: 674-2004.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Maine Wildlife Park, Gray, presents Trails End and Avian Taxidermy. Bring camera. FMI: 657-4977 or www.maine-wildlifepark.com or www.mefishwildlife.com or Facebook.

1 to 5:30 p.m. - Second Ripley Brass Band Festival at Bethel Historical Society (14 Broad Street), or Middle Intervale Meetinghouse in case of inclement weather. Free, but donations gratefully received. FMI: 824-2908 / (800) 824-2910 / info@bethelhistorical.org.

8 p.m. - Celebration Barn Theater, Route 117, Stock Farm Road, South Paris, presents Kimleigh Smith in "T-O-T-A-L-L-Y" Doors open 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$14 adults/\$12 seniors/\$8 students and kids. FMI or advance tickets: 743-8452 or visit www.CelebrationBarn.com.

Saturday and Sunday, July 30 and 31 Annual Youth Music Scholarship Country Jamboree, "Music & Minerals" at Countryfolk Music Theatre, Route 2, East Dixfield. FMI: Larry Bisbee 645-4411.

Sunday, July 31 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Open House at Waterford Library. Light lunch available to purchase. FMI: 583-2050.

1 p.m. - North Pond Sailing Association Regatta. Free and open to all. FMI: 875-3726.

Thursday, Aug. 4 7 p.m. - Tim Sample performs at North Waterford Church. Tickets: \$15 advance/\$18 door, may be purchased at Books N Things, Norway, Bridgton Books, Bridgton. Seating limited. Proceeds benefit Waterford Historical Society.

7:30 p.m. - Maine Pro Musica Symphony at Fryeburg Academy's Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center. Tickets: \$25 adults/\$20 seniors (65+) \$15 students. FMI/tickets: www.fryeburgacademy.org, box office 935-9232.

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Aug. 4, 5, 6 Maine State HOG Rally - "Save a Horse, Ride a Harley" at Sunday River. FMI: 824-3000 or www.sundayriver.com

Friday and Saturday, Aug. 5 and 6 7:30 p.m. - The Everyman Repertory Theatre performs "The 39 Steps" at Fryeburg Academy's Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center. CANCELLED

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Aug. 5, 6, 7 Wilderness Canoe and Tai Chi Trip on Umbagog Lake, Magalloway River, and headwaters of Androscoggin River. Canoe and all equipment provided. Led by Polly Mahoney and taught by Betsey Foster. FMI: or register: 824-2073 (Polly Mahoney).

Maine's First Ever Comedy Arts Festival and golf tournament at Bethel Inn to benefit Make A Wish Foundation. FMI: (800) 654-0125.

Saturday, Aug. 6 8:30 a.m. - Community Lakes Association annual meeting, Bryant Pond 4-H Learning Center. All welcome and open to public. Refreshments. FMI: Nancy Willard 665-2788.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Annual sidewalk Sale and Street Market by Norway Business Association. Hosting Maine artists, craftsmen, food vendors and nonprofit organizations. FMI or rental space: 739-2200 or www.norwaymainebusinesses.com.

5 p.m. - Chicken BBQ, Blazing Star Lodge, Route 232, Rumford Corner. Adults \$8/under 12 \$4. Take-outs available. Stair on back stairs. FMI: Joe Roy 364-4715 or concordpond@roadrunner.com

7 p.m. - Auction, West Parish Congregational Church, Church Street, Bethel. Items of time, talent and treasure range from homemade fudge to artwork to two-night stay at Loon Lodge. Complimentary desserts served.

8 p.m. - Dance at Waterford World's Fair (Monsta). BYOB. \$10 p/p. FI: Lisa Scribner 890-7669.

Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 6 and 7 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Back to the Past, Back to the Future at Scribner's Mill, off Maple Ridge Road, Harrison. Antique Fair (vendors 12x12 pop-up tent (\$20) and display old-time treasures - contact Gail Geraghty, 595-6954. FMI: 595-6954.

Day of Democracy features petition

The Oxford County Committee to Protect Voters Rights is participating in the statewide Day of Democracy sponsored by the coalition seeking signatures for the Peoples Veto of LD 1376, the bill passed by legislative Republicans and signed by Governor LePage that eliminates the right of Maine people to register to vote on Election Day.

The Day of Democracy events will include an opportunity to drop by a local coffee shop and sign the petition or to take part in gathering signatures. Those who wish to join the signature-gathering team of over 75 Oxford County residents will be given a packet containing a petition, a circular form, and a neighborhood to canvass during a two-hour shift. Forms are then returned to the organizer.

Similar events are being held throughout the state in an effort to gather the nearly 58,000 signatures necessary to give

Maine people a say in retaining the right they have had for over 30 years.

Day of Democracy events in Oxford County will be held on Friday, July 22, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Café diCocoa on Main Street in Bethel with Cathy Newell as organizer; on Monday, July 25, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Café Nomad on Main Street in Norway with Roy Gedat as organizer; and on Tuesday, July 26, from 1 to 4 p.m. at Sam's on Route 2 in Rumford with Jimmy McHugh as organizer.

In the meantime people in Oxford County wishing to help gather signatures, or just to sign the petition, may contact Cathy Newell at 875-2116 for the name of the person in their town who has a form.

AG speaks to Oxford County Republicans

Maine Attorney General William Schneider was the featured speaker at the Oxford County Republican Committee annual picnic held on July 12 on Stan Howe's lawn, Broad Street, Bethel. Nearly 50 Re-

publicans attended the bountiful barbecue with former County Chair Erlon Jones of Fryeburg cooking the hot dogs and Bethel Town Chair Dennis Doyon doing the hamburgers. There were baked beans, lots of salads and strawberry shortcake among other culinary attractions.

In his remarks, Attorney General Schneider spoke on some of the current issues facing his office. He was followed by several legislators providing updates on the achievements of the past legislative session. Among the legislators speaking were Senator David Hastings, and representatives Jarrod Crockett, Jim Hamper, and Tom Winsor. The host committee included Dennis Doyon, Becky Kendall, Dorothy Bartlett, Bettyann Hastings, Arlan and Ellie Jodrey and Stan Howe.

Bethel Senior Citizens meet

Twenty-two members of the Bethel Senior Citizens Club met July 13 at the Bethel Area Health Center to board the bus for their trip to Augusta with Pat Carter as driver and San-

dra Gunther as her assistant. The first stop was in Winthrop for a coffee break then on to Augusta. After arriving in Augusta members toured the Maine State Museum. The museum has four floors of exhibits. Staff and volunteers are there to assist anyone who has questions. It is a very interesting place to visit.

Members left the museum and went to the South Parish Congregational Church where the ladies of the church served a delicious lunch. After lunch there was a tour of the church which was interesting as there is a small sanctuary as well as a large one. Both are very beautiful.

Members boarded the bus for the trip back to Bethel but stopped for ice cream and at a vegetable stand where several members purchased strawberries and vegetables. A good time was had by all.

The next meeting (picnic) will be Aug. 10 at 11 a.m. at the Stony Brook Campground on Route 2 in Hanover. Members will bring a salad or dessert to share.

July birthdays are: Luna Akers, Joyce Bennett, Harry Kuzyk, Fran Lowe, Nancy Mercer, Gloria Snyder and Bernice Thefethen.



LOCAL LITTLE LEAGUE ALL-STARS—Woodstock Little League All Stars Vanessa Godwin, Annie Cushman, Ellie Conrad played on the Northern Division team of the Oxford Hills Summer Softball League All Stars July 9 in Minot. (Photo: L. Cozzolino)

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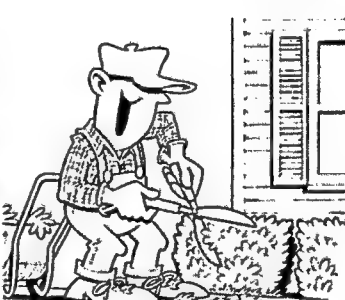
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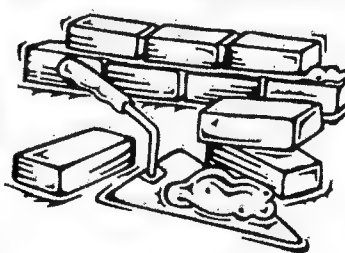
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ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI - 892-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff; Morning worship 10:45 - noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor; Jim Rose, Youth Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. For more information, call 824-2289.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - Rev. Chuck Mason, 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. A.M. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Bible Study and Prayer, 6 p.m. For information or if you need a ride or have a prayer request: 824-4028.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snous - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Rt. 26), The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Office 364-4556, announcements 824-

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Episcopal House Church - Third Sunday of the month, 4 p.m. For details: 824-3932

West Parish Congregational - Church Street, Rev. Virginia Rickeman, Pastor. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast in the Dining Room downstairs. Entrance in rear of church. Thursdays: 7 p.m. Choir Practice in the Sanctuary. New voices welcome. FMI: 824-2689; 824-0550.

United Methodist - Carol Stevens, Pastor. 9 a.m. Sunday Worship. Bible Study, 1 p.m. Wednesday. FMI: 824-0797.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 836-3533 or 836-2882. Rev. John Williams.

Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Aaron McNally. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9am; Worship Service, 10am; Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30pm; Small group Bible study, Tuesday 6pm; Awana Club (3-6 grades), Sunday 5-7 pm. FMI 836-3006 or 824-2037.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m. 824-3577 FMI.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath

School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. For more info, call 824-8939.

Church of the White Cloud Outreach Healing Ministries-Mail Blessings Study Course; phone requests prayerline. Rev. Paula Ewing 824-2782. Jesus is a Friend.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9am, followed by Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

GORHAM, NH

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. FMI 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Interim minister Rev. Kent Schneider. Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m. All welcome; free coffee. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI 603-466-2136.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday morning service will begin at 9 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed.

Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (catercorner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 824.4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, S. Paris. Pastors Kim Marie and Tom Myhre. Sunday School at 9am; Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship. Bible Study, Wednesdays 7 p.m.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m.. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968. Singspiration third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m..

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Sunday Services 9 a.m., June-Aug.; Sunday School at 10 a.m. Informal worship at 5 p.m. Sundays. Healing service with communion 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more info.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 am worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

St. Catherine's - Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Unitarian Univer-

salist Church of Norway - 11am worship. (Sept - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11am-12:15pm. FMI 743-2828.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass.

Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabus Episcopal Church - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons, Priest-in-charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, St. Athanasius and St. John - 125 Main Ave. The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 4 pm; Sunday Mass, 9:30 am; Weekday Mass, 8 a.m. Office 364-4556.

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. 986 Prospect Ave. Adult and teen Sunday school 9am. Sunday worship service at 10am and 6pm. Wednesday night bible study 6:45 p.m. FMI call 364-3856 or see our website at www.praiseassemblyofgod.net.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Sondra Withey.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris - 9 a.m. worship. Rev. Richard Beal. 674-

2143.

West Paris Baptist - Sunday Worship 9:15 am. Sunday School Preschool thru kindergarten 9:45 a.m., Sunday School Grades 1-6, 10:25 a.m. Sunday evening worship 7:00 p.m.; Monday Diaconette meeting first Monday of the month; Tuesday ladies fellowship meets the fourth Tuesday of every month. Tea & Toys Time Bi-Weekly 9:30-11:30 a.m., Adult Choir Wednesday evenings, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7 p.m., church business meetings the third Wednesday of the month.

Mission Congregational Church - Wallace Farnum, pastor. Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Larry Hodgkins, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer & bible study 6:30 p.m.; Fridays: Youth Group 7-12th grade, 6:30pm

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Greg Carlson (207-527-2551), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends - a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. Call Dick Stratton at 824-8669 FMI.

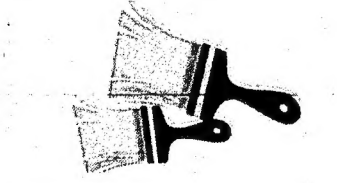
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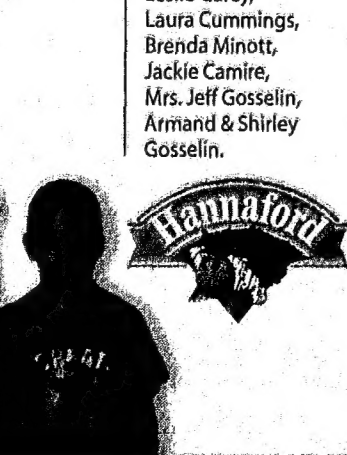
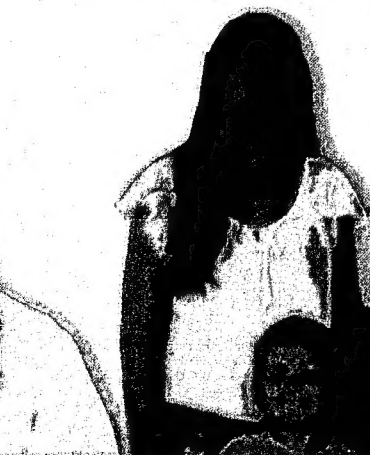
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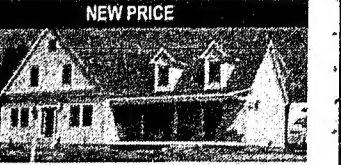







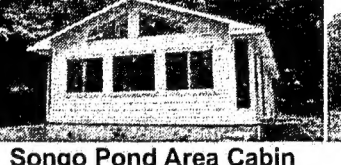

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Obituaries

ROBERT A. CRANE SR.

Robert A. Crane Sr., 92, died peacefully at the Norway Rehabilitation Center on Friday, July 15, 2011.

He was born April 21, 1919, in Brighton, Mass., to the late Kennedy and Mittie (Lawrence) Crane Sr. He moved to Rockland as a small child and attended Rockland schools.

Robert, a local businessman, began his career in his family's department store, Crane's, in Skowhegan. He later owned and operated his own department stores, Crane's in Caribou, and later in Norway. He also purchased and developed Mountain Motors, a General Motors dealership in Glen, N.H.

Upon retiring from retail business, he and his wife, Suzanne, opened a real estate agency, Robert Crane Associates, in Bethel. He retired back to Norway in 1992. He was an active member of the Caribou and Bethel Rotary Clubs, the Caribou and Norway Chamber of Commerce, and the Second Congregational Church of Norway.

He is survived by his wife, Suzanne Powers Wallace; and her two daughters, Cynthia Wallace Wilson and her husband, Craig, of Lafayette La., and Sheila Wallace Foster of Shreveport, La.; his four children, Rebecca Rafferty and her husband John of East Granby, Conn., Robert Jr. and his wife Kathy of Calabash, N.C., Dunton of Raleigh, N.C., and Margaret Coyne and her husband Anthony of Rockland; two brothers, Kennedy Crane Jr. of Cary, N.C., and Dr. Lawrence Crane of Scarborough; and many grandchildren; great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his former wife, Margaret Dunton Merritt.

A graveside service was held at Lakeview Cemetery Wednesday, July 20.

Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.chandlerfunerals.com.



PETER R. HOOPER

Peter R. Hooper, 63, of Milton Township died Friday July 15, 2011 after courageously facing his struggle with renal cell carcinoma.

Peter was born in Portland on March 24, 1948, a son of the late Marguerite (Bachelor) and Stuart DeRoche and Robert Hooper. He graduated from Gorham High School in 1966 where he excelled in sports, especially basketball. Peter was a true woodsman, a steward of the land who loved to look back at his logging jobs with pride and sound ecological practice. His witty sense of humor and love for his family will live on forever.

Peter is survived by his loving wife, Susan Hooper; daughter, Heather Newton and fiancé Daniel Rennie, grandchildren, Kieran, Jarob, and Lilijune; daughter, Allison Ross and husband Jason, grandchildren Kourtney and Emily; sister, Gail Hackett and husband Mike and family;

brother, Craig DeRoche and wife Sarah and family. He was predeceased by his parents and a brother, Gary Hooper.

The family would like to thank Dr. Matthew Dugan and staff at MOCM, Androscoggin Home Care and Hospice, especially our angel Nicole Hosie.

A celebration of Peter's life will be held on July 31, 2011 starting at noontime at their home. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to your local animal shelter, as Peter's love and dedication to his cats was amazing. Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.chandlerfunerals.com.



REV. ROBERT H. PLUMMER

Rev. Robert H. Plummer, 87, of Dixfield, has gone to serve the Lord in his big house, Tuesday July 19, 2011 at the

Hospice House in Auburn with his loving wife by his side. He was formerly a resident of Somerset Street in Rumford for many years.

He was born in Portland, Maine on July 21, 1923, and was the son of Record L. Plummer and Alice H. Howe Plummer. He graduated from Portland High School Class of 1941 and Mountain Union College in Alliance, Ohio with his B.A. degree Class of 1950 and from Boston University School of Theology Class of 1953 with his master's degree in MST (Masters of Sacred Theology). He was ordained in 1952.

Bob also served with the 1st Med Depot Co. as an Army Pfc from 1943 to 1945 including overseas in Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes, and Central Europe.

In 1953 he served the greater Wadoboro area of the United Methodist Churches until 1956 when he went to the Calvary Methodist Church in Lewiston until 1963 and then the United Methodist Church of Brunswick until 1974 when he moved to Rumford at the United Methodist Church until retirement in 1986. He served as a guest preacher in Andover, North Auburn, Mexico, Dixfield, Rumford, Oquossoc and Rumford Point and had served as the officiating minister at many Methodist Con-

ferences and had also served as a Youth Leader at the Conferences.

Bob was a member and past president of the New England Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, had served as a board member of Tri-County Mental Health and the Rumford Boys Home, the local American Cancer Society; member and a Paul Harris Fellow of the Rumford Rotary Club. As a retired pastor and member of the Rumford United Methodist Church he remained active in the church including the choir and Men's Club. He was a life member of Napoleon Ouellette Post 24, American Legion.

He was married in Malden, Mass., on July 30, 1954 to the former June Awad who died in Rumford on Jan. 21, 1995.

He remarried in Rumford on Oct. 8, 2005 to Phyllis Anderson Quinn Plummer who survives of Dixfield. Other survivors include sons David Plummer and wife Bonnie of Nashua, N.H., Mark Plummer and wife Janet Plummer of Westbrook, Conn.; six grandchildren: Dominique and Caleb Plummer of Westbrook, Conn., and Jocelyn Marie and Nathaniel Awad Plummer of Merrimac, Mass., Joshua Sunstrom of Londonderry, N.H., and Adam Burley, US Army;

brother, William Fossett of Gray, Maine; several nieces and nephews; step-daughter Arlette Andersson and husband Robert Robitaille of Lisbon Falls; step-son, William Woodward of Tempe, Ariz.

The family would like to thank the Rumford Community Home and staff in Rumford and The Hospice House and staff in Auburn for their excellent care.

Friends are invited to sign the family guest book and share their thoughts, condolences and memories online at www.meaderrandson.com

Funeral services with Military Honors will be conducted 11 a.m. Friday, July 22, 2011 at the Meader and Son Funeral Home, 3 Franklin Street, Rumford, with Fr. Timothy Parsons officiating. Calling hours: 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday. Interment and committal services will be conducted 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 26, 2011 at the Lakeside Cemetery, Wakefield, Mass. In lieu of flowers, please contribute to the Rumford United Methodist Church, c/o James Robertson, 724 Forest Avenue, Rumford, ME 04276 or to Hospice House, 236 Stetson Road, Auburn, ME 04210 in his memory.

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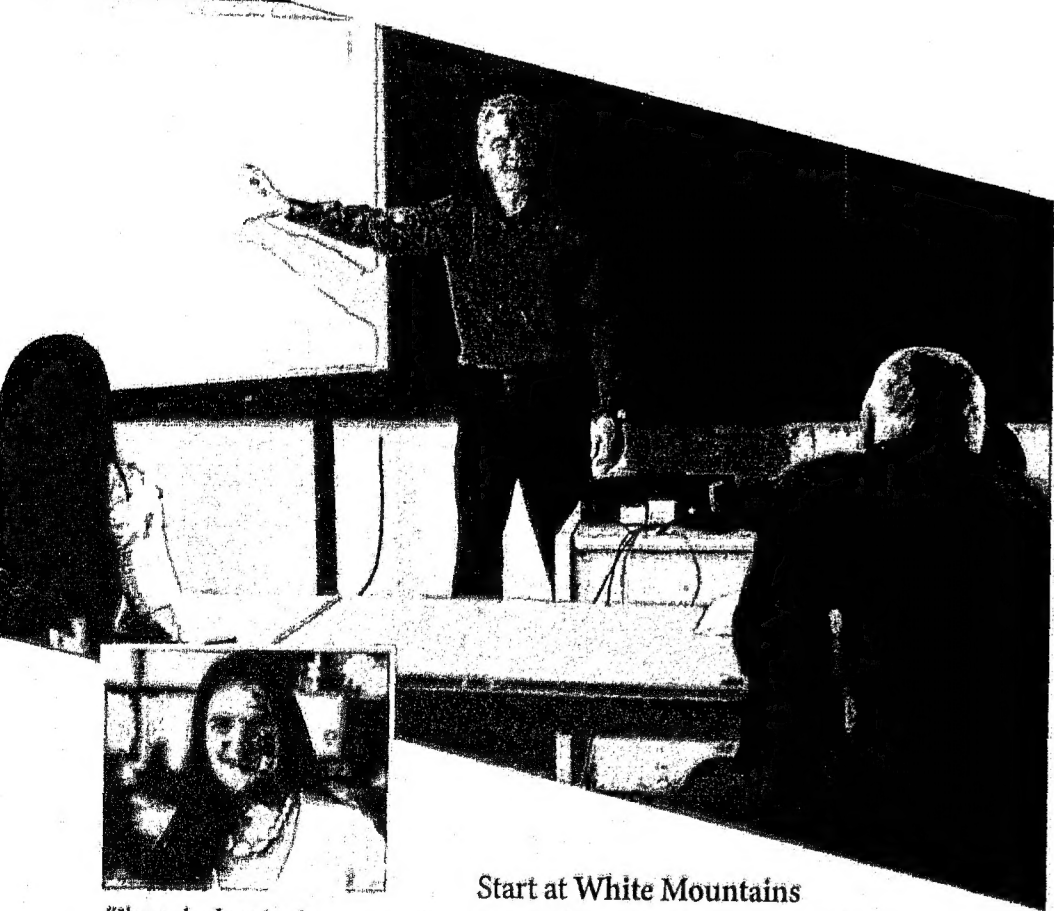
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